## BEFORE THE

## CITIZENS FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE OF THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE ORGANIZED PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA STEM CELL RESEARCH AND CURES ACT

## REGULAR MEETING

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1	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA;	
2	THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2006	
3	REGULAR MEETING OF THE	
4	CITIZENS FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE	
5	09:09 A.M.	
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7	CHAIRMAN WESTLY: IF EVERYBODY IS READY, WE'D	
8	LIKE TO WELCOME EVERYBODY THIS MORNING TO THE INAUGURAL	
9	MEETING OF THE CITIZENS FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY	
10	OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR	
11	REGENERATIVE MEDICINE. WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO AT THIS	
12	POINT IS TO ASK EVERYBODY TO RISE AND TO JOIN ME IN THE	
13	PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.	
14	(THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.)	
15	CHAIRMAN WESTLY: ALL RIGHT. I'D LIKE TO	
16	CALL THIS MEETING TO ORDER AND ADMINISTER THE OATH OF	
17	OFFICE TO THE MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN APPOINTED TO THE	
18	COMMITTEE. BUT BEFORE I DO THAT, IS THERE ANY PUBLIC	
19	COMMENT ON THE MEMBERS? MR. SIMPSON.	
20	MR. SIMPSON: GOOD MORNING. I'M JOHN SIMPSON	
21	FROM THE FOUNDATION FOR TAXPAYER AND CONSUMER RIGHTS.	
22	I AM DIRECTOR OF OUR STEM CELL OVERSIGHT AND	
23	ACCOUNTABILITY PROJECT. FOLKS WHO GO TO ICOC MEETINGS	
24	HAVE PROBABLY SEEN ME AS A FAMILIAR FACE.	
25	WE HAVE SERTOUS CONCERNS ABOUT THIS PANEL.	

- 1 WITHOUT SLIGHTING A PARTICULAR MEMBER, WHAT WE'RE
- 2 CONCERNED ABOUT IS THAT THE QUALIFICATIONS HAVE NOT
- 3 BEEN MET AS SPELLED OUT IN PROPOSITION 71.
- 4 MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE
- 5 A MEDICAL BACKGROUND. AND TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE,
- 6 MR. HEIN HAS NO SUCH BACKGROUND. SO WE DON'T SEE HOW
- 7 HE'S QUALIFIED TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE, AND I DON'T
- 8 BELIEVE HE SHOULD BE ADMINISTERED THE OATH OF OFFICE.
- 9 IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT THE REST OF THE
- 10 COMMITTEE MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS, AND YOU COULD GO
- 11 FORWARD AND DO BUSINESS, BUT I DON'T SEE HOW HE CAN BE
- 12 SEATED.
- 13 FROM A PRACTICAL POINT OF VIEW, I WOULD ADD
- 14 SOMETHING ELSE. THOSE WHO CARE DEEPLY ABOUT STEM CELL
- 15 RESEARCH AND WHO HAVE FOLLOWED THIS IN THE STATE KNOW
- 16 THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE USING ALL
- 17 SORTS OF LEGAL TRICKS TO DELAY EVERYTHING. AND IT
- 18 WOULD SEEM TO ME BY HAVING SOMEONE ON THE BOARD WHO
- 19 CLEARLY DOES NOT MEET THE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS, YOU'RE
- 20 OPENING YOURSELVES UP TO YET ANOTHER ROUND OF LEGAL
- 21 CHALLENGES. I DON'T THINK YOU WANT TO GO DOWN THAT
- 22 ROAD.
- 23 SO I WOULD, ON A PRAGMATIC BASIS, ASK MR.
- 24 HEIN TO WITHDRAW. AND PERHAPS IF HE'S INTERESTED IN
- 25 FOLLOWING THIS, HE CAN ATTEND AS MANY MEETINGS AS

- 1 POSSIBLE AND COMMENT AND OFFER HIS PROBABLY VERY GOOD
- 2 VIEWS AS A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. SO I THINK THIS IS A
- 3 VERY SERIOUS ISSUE. I DON'T SEE HOW HE RISES TO THE
- 4 QUALIFICATIONS, AND I WONDER WHY THE SPEAKER HAS SO
- 5 BLATANTLY FLOUTED THE LAW.
- 6 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, MR. SIMPSON.
- 7 LET ME REMIND YOU THIS IS NOT AN ACTION ITEM, BUT WHAT
- 8 I WOULD LIKE TO DO IS ASK MS. LOPEZ, REPRESENTING THE
- 9 STATE'S ATTORNEY GENERAL, TO COMMENT ON THIS ISSUE.
- 10 MS. LOPEZ, WOULD BE YOU WILLING TO COME FORWARD?
- MS. LOPEZ: GOOD MORNING. LESLIE LOPEZ,
- 12 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE. THAT'S REALLY SOMETHING
- 13 THAT -- THAT'S AN ISSUE THAT SHOULD BE RAISED WITH THE
- 14 APPOINTING OFFICIAL WHO APPOINTED MR. HEIN. THE
- 15 APPOINTING AUTHORITY EXERCISED THEIR DISCRETION AND
- 16 APPOINTED MR. HEIN. SO ANY ISSUE WITH RESPECT TO THE
- 17 APPOINTMENT SHOULD BE RAISED WITH THE OFFICIAL WHO
- 18 NAMED HIM TO THIS COMMISSION.
- 19 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY JUST
- 20 A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT THE WORDING OF WHAT THE
- 21 INITIATIVE ACTUALLY SAYS?
- 22 MS. LOPEZ: UNDER PROP 71, IT CREATES THE --
- 23 IT CREATES THIS COMMITTEE, AND IT GIVES APPOINTING
- 24 POWERS TO THE CONTROLLER, THE TREASURER, PRESIDENT PRO
- TEM OF THE SENATE, SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY, AND CHAIR

- 1 OF THE ICOC. AND IT GOES ON TO SAY THAT THE MEMBERS
- 2 SHALL HAVE MEDICAL BACKGROUNDS AND KNOWLEDGE OF
- 3 RELEVANT FINANCIAL MATTERS. SO THAT'S THE GUIDELINE
- 4 THAT THE APPOINTING POWERS ARE TO USE.
- 5 AND, AGAIN, IF THERE WAS ANY QUESTION WITH
- 6 RESPECT TO ANY PARTICULAR APPOINTMENT, IT SHOULD BE
- 7 RAISED TO THE APPOINTING POWER.
- 8 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, MS. LOPEZ. AND,
- JOHN, WOULD YOU OR ANYBODY HERE LIKE TO SPEAK BRIEFLY
- 10 TO THAT? OTHERWISE, JOHN, WE'LL REFER THIS ISSUE TO
- 11 THE SPEAKER TO REVIEW. MR. SIMPSON.
- 12 MR. SIMPSON: MAY I SUGGEST THAT WHILE IT'S
- 13 IN FLUX, IT'S STILL INAPPROPRIATE, THEN, TO ADMINISTER
- 14 THE OATH OF OFFICE TO MR. HEIN.
- 15 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, MR. SIMPSON. WE
- 16 STILL NEED TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OF OFFICE. I'M GOING
- 17 TO LEAVE THAT TO MR. HEIN'S DISCRETION AS TO WHETHER HE
- 18 WISHES TO TAKE IT, BUT ULTIMATELY THIS IS AN ISSUE
- 19 BEYOND MY DISCRETION. AGAIN, I'M GOING TO ASK THE
- 20 ATTORNEY GENERAL TO FOLLOW UP WITH THE SPEAKER ON THAT.
- 21 AT THIS POINT I WOULD LIKE THE MEMBERS OF THE
- 22 PANEL TO RISE AND REPEAT AFTER ME AS WE DO THE OATH OF
- 23 OFFICE.
- 24 (THE MEMBERS OF THE PANEL WERE THEN
- 25 ADMINISTERED THE OATH OF OFFICE.)

- 1 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOU
- 2 ARE ALL SWORN IN AS MEMBERS.
- 3 WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO AT THIS POINT IS ASK
- 4 MS. CASALEGNO TO DO THE ROLL CALL.
- 5 MS. CASALEGNO: DANIEL BRUNNER.
- 6 MR. BRUNNER: HERE.
- 7 MS. CASALEGNO: JOHN HEIN.
- 8 MR. HEIN: HERE.
- 9 MS. CASALEGNO: JIM LOTT.
- MR. LOTT: HERE.
- MS. CASALEGNO: MYRTLE POTTER.
- MS. POTTER: HERE.
- MS. CASALEGNO: AND CHAIRMAN WESTLY.
- 14 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: HERE.
- THIS CONSTITUTES A QUORUM, AND THE MEETING IS
- 16 NOW IN SESSION. THE PUBLIC WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
- 17 COMMENT DURING THE MEETING, AND PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE
- 18 LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES. IF YOU DO HAVE COMMENTS, I
- 19 WOULD LIKE IT IF YOU COULD SIGN IN AT THE FRONT TABLE
- 20 IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO.
- 21 AT THIS POINT I DO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THREE
- 22 OF THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE PLAYED AN INSTRUMENTAL ROLE IN
- 23 THE CREATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE INSTITUTE. AND THAT
- 24 IS BOB KLEIN, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE INDEPENDENT CITIZEN
- OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. BOB, YOU MIGHT RAISE YOUR HAND.

- 1 AND, AMY, I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOU FOR PLAYING SUCH AN
- 2 INSTRUMENTAL ROLE. WE HAVE ZACH HALL HERE, I THOUGHT I
- 3 SAW HIM EARLIER. ZACH IS THE PERSON IN CHARGE OF
- 4 RUNNING THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR REGENERATIVE
- 5 MEDICINE. AND ARLENE CHIU I THINK I SAW EARLIER.
- 6 THANK YOU, ARLENE, FOR BEING HERE AS THE DIRECTOR OF
- 7 SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMS AND REVIEW FOR THE INSTITUTE.
- 8 WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO AT THIS TIME IS USE
- 9 THE CHAIR'S PREROGATIVE JUST TO MAKE AN OPENING
- 10 STATEMENT BEFORE WE GO ON WITH THE AGENDA OF THE
- 11 MEETING, IF I MAY.
- 12 I REALLY WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR
- 13 COMMITMENT TO HELPING ENSURE THE FINANCIAL
- 14 ACCOUNTABILITY OF THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR
- 15 REGENERATIVE MEDICINE. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO
- 16 RECOGNIZE OUR GOAL IS TO HELP DELIVER ON A BIGGER
- 17 PROMISE. IT'S NOT JUST TO PROVIDE HOPE AND EVENTUALLY
- 18 CURES TO MILLIONS SUFFERING FROM DEBILITATING DISEASES,
- 19 BUT IT'S TO PROVIDE JOBS IN MEDICAL SCIENCE, RESEARCH,
- 20 PIONEERING TECHNOLOGIES FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
- 21 AND TO PROVIDE CALIFORNIA WITH A RETURN ON THE
- 22 INVESTMENT IT'S SO BOLDLY STOOD UP TO MAKE.
- 23 OUR ROLE IS TO MAKE SURE THAT THE INSTITUTE
- 24 IS ABLE TO DO ITS WORK AND DELIVER ON THOSE PROMISES.
- 25 TOUGH FINANCIAL CONTROLS WILL ENSURE THE PUBLIC'S

- 1 CONFIDENCE IN OUR STEM CELL PROGRAM. THE STAKES ARE
- 2 TOO HIGH FOR THE INSTITUTE TO RISK ITS FUNDS OR, JUST
- 3 AS IMPORTANTLY, THE PUBLIC'S TRUST. SO WE MUST NOT
- 4 ALLOW EVEN A PERCEPTION OF WASTE OR ABUSE TO GET IN THE
- 5 WAY OF THE INSTITUTE'S LIFESAVING AND, I WOULD ARGUE,
- 6 HISTORIC WORK.
- 7 IN TERMS OF DELIVERING ON THE PROMISE, IN
- 8 APRIL MY OFFICE ISSUED THE CHECKS FOR OVER \$12 MILLION
- 9 IN GRANTS TO 169 RESEARCH FELLOWS AND 16 HOSPITALS,
- 10 UNIVERSITIES, AND RESEARCH INSTITUTES FROM AROUND THE
- 11 STATE. IT WAS ONE OF THE PROUDEST MOMENTS IN MY TERM
- 12 AS CONTROLLER.
- AS WE SPEAK, RESEARCHERS FROM AROUND THE
- 14 WORLD ARE WORKING TO APPLY FOR THE NEXT \$150 MILLION IN
- 15 GRANT MONEY FOR THE INSTITUTE.
- WE'RE CREATING A NEW INDUSTRY HERE, AND WE'RE
- 17 BOLSTERING OUR ECONOMY AT THE SAME TIME. LET'S NOT
- 18 FORGET WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO ASSURE CALIFORNIANS
- 19 THAT THEIR MONEY IS BEING SPENT WISELY, AND WE'LL TAKE
- 20 A STEP IN DOING JUST THAT TODAY.
- 21 I'VE CALLED FOR THE INSTITUTE TO ENSURE THAT
- THE STATE SHARES IN THE FINANCIAL GAINS FROM ANY NEW
- 23 DEVELOPMENTS AND DISCOVERIES FROM PROP 71. AND I'M
- 24 GLAD TO REPORT THAT THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE
- 25 IS NOW WORKING ON THAT ISSUE, AND I WANT TO THANK ZACH

- 1 HALL FOR HIS WORK AND MR. KLEIN IN HELPING THAT MOVE
- 2 FORWARD. WE MUST ENSURE THAT CALIFORNIANS REAP THE
- 3 REWARDS OF THE SACRIFICE THEY'RE MAKING AS DIRECT
- 4 FINANCIAL BENEFICIARIES AS WELL AS A BOOST IN THE JOBS
- 5 OF THE STATE'S ECONOMY, WHICH I'LL TALK A LITTLE BIT
- 6 ABOUT IN A MOMENT, AND, OF COURSE, IN THE MEDICAL
- 7 RESEARCH AND THE MOVEMENT TO CURES.
- 8 I RAISED THIS ISSUE LAST YEAR TO THE ICOC;
- 9 AND AS THE STATE'S CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, I'VE ALWAYS
- 10 FELT THE NEED FOR PERFORMANCE CONTROLS TO EVALUATE THE
- 11 INSTITUTE'S PROGRESS. TAXPAYERS HAVE TAKEN A RISK BY
- 12 INVESTING IN STEM CELL RESEARCH, AND WE NEED TO GIVE
- 13 THEM A PROGRESS REPORT ON HOW WE'RE DOING IN MEETING
- 14 THOSE GOALS.
- 15 I'M PLEASED TO SEE SOME SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS.
- 16 THE INSTITUTE IS ACTIVELY GATHERING THE ECONOMIC DATA
- 17 ON THE IMPACT OF PROP 71 IN CALIFORNIA AND WILL SHARE
- 18 MORE OF THAT AT THE NEXT MEETING.
- 19 WHAT I THINK IS PARTICULARLY STUNNING AND I
- 20 WANTED TO FOCUS ON TODAY IS THAT SCIENTISTS, THE BEST
- 21 AND THE BRIGHTEST FROM AROUND THE WORLD, ARE ALREADY
- 22 COMING HERE. WE'VE ALREADY ATTRACTED MANY OF THE
- 23 GREATEST MINDS FROM THE SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY, AND
- 24 THERE'S A LAUNDRY LIST OF THE LEADING RESEARCHERS FROM
- 25 AROUND THE WORLD WHO ARE MOVING TO CALIFORNIA ALREADY.

- 1 I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT A FEW OF THEM, BUT I'M HOLDING
- 2 A FAIRLY STUNNING LIST OF OVER 20 OF THE BEST AND
- 3 BRIGHTEST PH.D.'S, RESEARCHERS, AND SCIENTISTS FROM
- 4 AROUND THE WORLD WHO HAVE ALREADY MADE THE COMMITMENT
- 5 TO COME TO CALIFORNIA.
- 6 WE'VE ATTRACTED TOP PH.D.'S MARTIN PERA,
- 7 PH.D., MOVED FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNIVERSITY OF
- 8 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. STEPHAN HELLER, ONE OF THE FINEST
- 9 PH.D.'S FROM HARVARD, HAS JUST TRANSFERRED TO STANFORD.
- 10 PETER DONOVAN, ONE OF THE BRIGHTEST PH.D.'S FROM JOHNS
- 11 HOPKINS, RELOCATED TO UC IRVINE. THEY'RE MAKING OUR UC
- 12 SYSTEM, OUR PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES, AND RESEARCH
- 13 INSTITUTIONS EVEN MORE PRESTIGIOUS THAN THEY ALREADY
- 14 ARE.
- 15 THANKS TO THE INSTITUTE'S POTENTIAL, UC DAVIS
- 16 RECENTLY RECRUITED ANOTHER TOP STEM CELL EXPERT,
- 17 DR. JAN NOLTA FROM WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS,
- 18 TO LEAD A NEW STEM CELL PROGRAM THERE. UC DAVIS IS
- 19 DEDICATING 100,000 NEW SQUARE FEET OF ITS SACRAMENTO
- 20 MEDICAL CENTER CAMPUS FOR RESEARCH. THIS IS EXACTLY
- 21 THE PROMISE OF MAKING CALIFORNIA A WORLD LEADER, AND I
- THINK IT'S CLEAR EVIDENCE THAT PROP 71 IS, IN FACT,
- 23 DELIVERING ON ITS PROMISE TO THE PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA.
- 24 UC DAVIS IS ALSO A GRANT RECIPIENT AND HAS
- 25 NAMED TEN YOUNG SCIENTISTS REPRESENTING A BRIGHT FUTURE

- 1 FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE TO THEIR STEM CELL TRAINING
- 2 PROGRAM.
- 3 AT UCSF RIGHT HERE IN SAN FRANCISCO, THEY'VE
- 4 RECRUITED SIX OF THE LEADING YOUNG STEM CELL SCIENTISTS
- 5 FROM THROUGHOUT THE WORLD BECAUSE OF ITS REPUTATION IN
- 6 RESEARCH, BUT THE INSTITUTE HAS HELPED AS AN ATTRACTIVE
- 7 RECRUITING TOOL BECAUSE OF ITS FUNDING POTENTIAL. I'M
- 8 GOING TO FOCUS ON JUST A FEW OF THE NAMES OF PEOPLE WHO
- 9 HAVE ALREADY COME TO CALIFORNIA.
- 10 DR. ROBERT BLELLOCK CAME FROM MIT TO JOIN
- 11 UCSF'S FACULTY. DR. KATJA BRUCKNER JUST LEFT A
- 12 FELLOWSHIP AT HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL TO STUDY ISOLATED
- 13 ASPECTS OF CANCER DEVELOPMENT HERE BECAUSE OF THIS.
- 14 DR. DAVID HENRY ROWITCH STUDIES THE RELATIONSHIPS
- 15 BETWEEN STEM CELLS AND CANCER CELLS. HE'S ALSO COME
- 16 FROM HARVARD UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL AND THE
- 17 DANA-FARBER CANCER CENTER HERE TO CALIFORNIA. DR.
- 18 ARNOLD KRIEGSTEIN, DIRECTOR OF UCSF INSTITUTE FOR
- 19 REGENERATION SAYS, QUOTE, THE LAST YEAR HAS BEEN ONE OF
- THE MOST EXTRAORDINARY AND DYNAMIC GROWTH FOR STEM CELL
- 21 SCIENCE IN CALIFORNIA THANKS, IN GOOD PART, TO PROP 71.
- 22 I'D LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE SCIENTISTS AT
- 23 THIS MEETING, AND IN PARTICULAR I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE A
- 24 TOP RESEARCHER HERE WHO HAS MOVED TO CALIFORNIA BECAUSE
- 25 PROP 71 PASSED. DR. XIANMIN ZENG HAS SPENT THE PAST

- 1 FIVE YEARS AT THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HEALTH WORKING
- 2 ON STEM CELL BIOLOGY AND NEUROBIOLOGY BEFORE JOINING
- 3 THE BUCK INSTITUTE'S PROGRAM RIGHT HERE IN NOVATO IN
- 4 STEM CELL AND REGENERATIVE MEDICINE IN CALIFORNIA.
- DR. ZENG, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ASK YOU TO
- 6 STAND AND RECOGNIZE YOU AS PART OF THE BRAIN DRAIN THAT
- 7 IS COMING TO CALIFORNIA.
- 8 (APPLAUSE.)
- 9 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU FOR COMING TO
- 10 CALIFORNIA TO HELP CONTINUE CALIFORNIA'S HISTORIC ROLE
- 11 AS A LEADER IN NEW THINGS. WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A
- 12 QUICK WORD?
- 13 DR. ZENG: YES. I'M JUST HAPPY TO COME TO
- 14 CALIFORNIA. I HAVE WORKED AT THE NIH PREVIOUSLY.
- 15 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: WHY DON'T YOU COME TO THE
- 16 MICROPHONE, IF YOU WOULD BE WILLING, DR. ZENG.
- 17 DR. ZENG: I JUST WANTED TO THANK YOU FOR
- 18 GIVING ME THE CHANCE TO COME HERE TO SPEAK A FEW WORDS.
- 19 I CAME TO CALIFORNIA LAST YEAR IN SEPTEMBER. I HAVE
- 20 WORKED AT THE NIH ON HUMAN EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS WITH
- 21 SOME OF THE INVESTIGATORS LIKE MAHENDRA RAO MAYBE MANY
- 22 OF YOU KNOW. SO WHEN I DECIDED TO COME HERE, OF
- 23 COURSE, IS BECAUSE OF THE PASS OF THE PROP 71. I
- 24 THOUGHT THAT WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT CHANCE TO CONTINUE
- 25 MY WORK WITH EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS, ESPECIALLY WITH THE

- 1 POLICY, THE FEDERAL POLICY, THAT IS NOT REALLY
- 2 SUPPORTED AT THE NIH. SO THAT'S MY DECISION TO COME
- 3 HERE. THANK YOU.
- 4 (APPLAUSE.)
- 5 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: DR. ZENG, THANK YOU FOR
- 6 BEING HERE. WE'RE HONORED TO HAVE YOU.
- 7 I WANT TO TOUCH ON ONE OTHER SUBJECT THAT IS
- 8 FAIRLY CONTROVERSIAL AND IN SOME WAYS DRAMATIC THAT IS
- 9 PART OF THE CALIFORNIA PROMISE. THE INSTITUTE'S CALLED
- 10 RESEARCH SHARING. THE INSTITUTE HAS PUBLICLY DISCUSSED.
- 11 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY POLICIES TO RETURN ROYALTIES ON
- 12 RESEARCH TO CALIFORNIA'S COFFERS. THAT'S A GOOD THING.
- 13 TODAY I'M GOING TO ASK THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
- 14 COMMITTEE TO RESEARCH THE POLICIES OF RESEARCH
- 15 ORGANIZATIONS THAT PUBLICLY SHARE GRANT PROGRESS AND
- 16 RESULTS. I THINK, AS YOU KNOW, TRADITIONALLY THERE ARE
- 17 INCENTIVES FOR TOP RESEARCHERS NOT TO SHARE THE
- 18 INFORMATION.
- 19 I BELIEVE THAT CALIFORNIA CAN HELP SET THE
- 20 STANDARDS FOR SPEEDING THE TIME TO CURES, NOT ONLY BY
- 21 FIRST ADMINISTERING THE GRANTS MORE QUICKLY, BUT,
- 22 SECOND, BY PROVIDING INCENTIVES FOR SHARING RESEARCH
- 23 EARLIER IN THE PROCESS, FOR BEING COLLABORATIVE, FOR
- 24 FOLLOWING THE LEADS OF THE MOST DYNAMIC ORGANIZATIONS
- 25 AROUND THE COUNTRY LIKE THE MILKEN INSTITUTE AND OTHERS

- 1 THAT ARE SETTING THE PATH TO GET BASIC RESEARCH TO THE
- 2 MARKETPLACE, TO THE PEOPLE WHO ARE WAITING FOR CURES
- 3 MORE QUICKLY.
- 4 I THINK THERE ARE CONCRETE WAYS TO DO THIS
- 5 THAT HAVE NOT BEEN DONE TRADITIONALLY. I HOPE
- 6 CALIFORNIA CAN SET THE STANDARD FOR DOING THEM. AND I
- 7 HOPE THE IP COMMITTEE WILL CONTINUE TO SET THE
- 8 STANDARDS TO ENCOURAGE THAT. WE NEED TO CONSIDER
- 9 INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS OUTSIDE OF SCIENTIFIC CONVENTIONS
- 10 TO HELP SPEED THE DELIVERY OF POTENTIAL LIFESAVING
- 11 RESEARCH. IF WE CAN USE THE GRANTS TO STIMULATE OUR
- 12 ECONOMY AND ALLOW FOR RESEARCHERS TO COLLABORATE ON
- 13 REACHING OUR COMMON GOALS, THEN WE OWE IT TO THE PEOPLE
- 14 OF CALIFORNIA TO WEIGH OPTIONS AS TO HOW TO BEST DO
- 15 THIS.
- 16 WE SHOULD LOOK AT RESEARCH-BASED
- 17 ORGANIZATIONS AND EARMARK A PORTION OF FUNDING FOR
- 18 AWARDS THAT REQUIRE ANNUAL DISCLOSURE OF RESULTS.
- 19 THE BILL AND MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION HAS DONE A LOT OF
- 20 PATHBREAKING WORK IN THIS AREA. THE PROSTATE CANCER
- 21 FOUNDATION THAT MIKE MILKEN IS HEADING HERE IN
- 22 CALIFORNIA HAS BEEN ANOTHER LEADER. AS HAS THE JUVENILE
- 23 DIABETES FOUNDATION. I THINK IT'S INCUMBENT ON US TO
- 24 LEARN FROM THE BEST PRACTICES FROM AROUND THE WORLD.
- 25 AGAIN, OUR GOAL IS NOT ONLY TO SPEED THE TIME TO CURES,

- 1 BUT, FRANKLY, TO PROVIDE THE GREATEST RETURN ON
- 2 INVESTMENT TO THE PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA. THAT IS WHAT
- 3 WE'RE HERE TO DO. AND I'D LIKE TO ASK THE IP COMMITTEE
- 4 TO EXPLORE WHAT THEY BELIEVE IS THE MOST STREAMLINED
- 5 GRANT PROCESS POSSIBLE THAT WILL SPUR, NOT ONLY
- 6 COLLABORATION AND INNOVATION, BY REQUIRING SCIENTISTS
- 7 TO SHARE RESEARCH AND SPEED THE TIME TO CURES AND
- 8 REPORT BACK TO THE FAOC ON THE BEST MEANS AND METHODS
- 9 FOR DOING THAT.
- 10 SO IN CLOSE, I'M PROUD TO REPORT WE'RE SEEING
- 11 THE INITIAL INVESTMENTS PAYING OFF. WE'RE ATTRACTING
- 12 THE BEST AND THE BRIGHTEST. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR
- 13 COMING TO CALIFORNIA, MS. ZENG. I THINK YOU ARE JUST
- 14 ONE EXAMPLE OF WHAT WILL BE DOZENS, IF NOT HUNDREDS OF
- 15 THOUSANDS OVER TIME TO HELP CALIFORNIA LEAD THE WORLD
- 16 IN STEM CELL RESEARCH.
- 17 LET'S MOVE ON AND GET TO THE AGENDA.
- 18 ITEM 4 IS CONSIDERATION OF WHETHER TO SEEK AN
- 19 EXEMPTION FROM FILING A STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTEREST.
- 20 AS BACKGROUND, I THINK YOU ALL KNOW, AS A NEWLY CREATED
- 21 BODY THAT SERVES IN A SOLELY ADVISORY CAPACITY, THE
- 22 CFAOC IS ELIGIBLE TO SEEK AN EXEMPTION FROM THE FPPC
- FROM FORM 700, STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTEREST, FILING
- 24 REQUIREMENT.
- THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPRESENTATIVE WILL

- 1 EXPLAIN AND THE COMMITTEE MUST DECIDE TO EITHER SEEK AN
- 2 EXEMPTION FOR FILL OUT THE FORM 700 WITHIN 30 DAYS AND
- 3 OFFICIALLY ADOPT THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE AT A
- 4 SUBSEQUENT MEETING.
- 5 ITEM NO. 4 IS CONSIDERATION OF WHETHER TO
- 6 SEEK AN EXEMPTION FROM THE FPPC FORM 700 REQUIREMENT.
- 7 AND DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL LOPEZ WILL SPEAK TO THAT.
- 8 WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO AHEAD AND SAY A WORD OR TWO,
- 9 MS. LOPEZ?
- 10 MS. LOPEZ: GOOD MORNING AGAIN. LESLIE
- 11 LOPEZ, AG'S OFFICE.
- 12 THE LAW PROVIDES A MECHANISM WHEREBY CERTAIN
- 13 BODIES CAN SEEK AN EXEMPTION FROM THE FILING
- 14 REQUIREMENTS OF THE POLITICAL REFORM ACT. IN OUR VIEW,
- 15 YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THAT, AND THERE IS A
- 16 PROCESS SET UP TO DO SO IN WHICH YOU WOULD SEEK AN
- 17 EXEMPTION FROM THE FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMITTEE.
- 18 OR THE BOARD, IN ITS DISCRETION, CAN DECIDE THAT THEY
- 19 WOULD RATHER COMPLY WITH THE DISCLOSURE FILING
- 20 REQUIREMENTS.
- I DON'T KNOW IF ANY OF YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH
- 22 WHAT IS CALLED A FORM 700 WHERE YOU DISCLOSE VARIOUS
- 23 INTERESTS THAT YOU HAVE IN PROPERTY AND OTHER TYPES OF
- 24 THINGS.
- MR. LOTT: MR. CHAIRMAN, IF I MAY.

- 1 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: PLEASE.
- 2 MR. LOTT: I'D LIKE TO PLACE A MOTION ON THE
- 3 TABLE THAT WE MOVE THAT WE COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS
- 4 EVEN THOUGH I RECOGNIZE WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY AND THE
- 5 OPTION TO SEEK AN EXEMPTION. BUT THIS IS A NEW AND
- 6 EXCITING ENDEAVOR, AND SUNSHINE AND TRANSPARENCY IS
- 7 ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL TO MAINTAIN THE CREDIBILITY AND
- 8 SET THE STANDARD FOR OTHER STATES AND OTHER PLACES THAT
- 9 MIGHT WANT TO DUPLICATE WHAT WE'RE DOING AT SOME TIME
- 10 IN THE FUTURE. SO I'D JUST LIKE TO PLACE THAT MOTION
- 11 ON THE TABLE, AND WE CAN GO AHEAD AND LISTEN TO THE
- 12 REST OF THE PRESENTATION, IF YOU WOULD LIKE, BUT I
- 13 THINK THAT'S THE PRUDENT COURSE TO TAKE.
- 14 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, MR. LOTT. LET
- 15 ME SAY I'M VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THAT MOTION FOR REASONS
- 16 I'LL EXPLAIN IN A MOMENT. MS. LOPEZ, I WANT TO GIVE
- 17 YOU A CHANCE TO FINISH, AND THEN I'D LIKE TO GIVE
- 18 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AN OPPORTUNITY TO SAY A WORD IF
- 19 THEY'D LIKE.
- 20 MS. LOPEZ: I DIDN'T HAVE MUCH MORE TO ADD
- 21 OTHER THAN JUST TO REITERATE THAT IT IS AN OPTION THAT
- 22 MAY BE AVAILABLE TO SEEK THE EXEMPTION. THERE'S NO
- 23 GUARANTEE WHETHER IT WOULD BE GRANTED, BUT IT IS ALSO
- 24 WITHIN YOUR DISCRETION TO DECIDE TO NOT SEEK THE
- 25 EXEMPTION AND JUST GO AHEAD AND COMPLY WITH THE

- 1 DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS.
- 2 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, MS. LOPEZ. IT
- 3 WAS IMPORTANT TO US TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL OF THE BOARD
- 4 MEMBERS UNDERSTOOD THE OPTIONS BEFORE THEM.
- 5 WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO NOW BEFORE ALLOWING THE
- 6 BOARD MEMBERS TO SPEAK ON THIS IS TO ASK MEMBERS OF THE
- 7 PUBLIC TO COME FORWARD. I UNDERSTAND THAT MR. SIMPSON
- 8 WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON ITEM 4. MR. SIMPSON, PLEASE.
- 9 MR. SIMPSON: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WAS
- 10 DELIGHTED TO HEAR WHAT MR. LOTT SAID. I COMMEND THAT.
- 11 THIS IS SOMETHING THAT IS SETTING POLICY IN SOME SENSE
- 12 FOR THE REST OF THE COUNTRY. YOU HAVE TO BE ABSOLUTELY
- 13 TRANSPARENT AND LET THE SUN SHINE IN. AND I COMMEND
- 14 YOU FOR MAKING THAT MOTION SO QUICKLY, AND I HOPE THAT
- 15 YOU DO DECIDE TO FOLLOW THE FPPC DISCLOSURE RULES. I
- 16 THINK IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT YOU DO THAT.
- 17 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, MR. SIMPSON.
- 18 WOULD ANY OF THE OTHER MEMBERS LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT?
- 19 MR. BRUNNER AND THEN MS. POTTER.
- 20 MR. BRUNNER: JUST I AGREE WITH MR. LOTT. IF
- 21 IT'S APPROPRIATE, I'D SECOND THE MOTION NOW.
- 22 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: TERRIFIC. LET ME ASK
- 23 MS. POTTER TO SAY A FEW WORDS, AND THEN WE'LL GO AHEAD
- 24 WITH THE MOTION.
- 25 MS. POTTER: I DO WANT TO MAKE A COUPLE OF

- 1 COMMENTS. OUR ROLE IS TO ADVISE THE CONTROLLER ON
- 2 MATTERS OF FINANCES OF THE CIRM, AND WE ARE NOT
- 3 DECISION MAKERS. WE'RE ADVISORS. AND AS SUCH -- AND I
- 4 GUESS I NEED TO TEST MY UNDERSTANDING OF THE POLITICAL
- 5 REFORM ACT, BUT MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT IT DOESN'T
- 6 APPLY TO INDIVIDUALS WHO SERVE IN AN ADVISORY CAPACITY.
- 7 NOW, THAT BEING SAID, TRANSPARENCY IS
- 8 ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL, BUT MY ISSUE IS ONE OF
- 9 APPLICATION OF THIS STANDARD ACROSS ALL ADVISORY
- 10 COMMITTEES THAT ARE SERVING ON BEHALF OF THE STATE. I
- 11 DON'T SEE WHY THIS COMMITTEE WOULD BE HELD AS AN
- 12 EXCEPTION TO OTHER ADVISORY COMMITTEES WHO HAVE NOT
- 13 BEEN ASKED TO SUBMIT TO FORM 700. SO MY ISSUE IS ONE
- 14 OF CONSISTENCY.
- 15 NOW, IF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE
- 16 DETERMINES THAT IT, IN FACT, IS SUPPORTED BY LAW THAT
- 17 THE COMMITTEE DO THIS, THEN, OF COURSE, WE WOULD ALL
- 18 COMPLY. BUT I'D REALLY LIKE TO UNDERSTAND HOW THIS IS
- 19 BEING APPLIED ACROSS THE BOARD.
- 20 MS. LOPEZ: GENERALLY THE EXEMPTION IS
- 21 AVAILABLE TO PURELY ADVISORY BODIES, WHICH IN OUR VIEW
- 22 THIS BODY MAY BE. AND THAT'S WHY WE FEEL THAT IT IS AN
- 23 OPTION FOR THIS BODY TO APPLY FOR THE EXEMPTION. IT IS
- 24 UP TO THE FPPC WHETHER TO GRANT IT OR NOT, WHETHER THEY
- 25 VIEW THIS BODY AS PURELY ADVISORY.

- 1 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: MS. POTTER, I THINK YOU
- 2 MAKE A VERY GOOD POINT, AND I'VE SPENT A LOT OF TIME
- 3 GOING BACK AND FORTH WITH MY STAFF ON THIS AND TALKING
- 4 TO OTHER PEOPLE. MY VIEW IS THAT OTHER ADVISORY
- 5 COMMITTEES LIKE THIS ARE NOT DOING THIS. WE DO NOT
- 6 HAVE TO DO THIS LEGALLY, SO IT'S NOT A REQUIREMENT.
- 7 IT'S AN OPTION.
- 8 HAVING SPENT A LOT OF TIME ON THIS, LET ME
- 9 JUST SAY FOR THE PUBLIC RECORD, FILLING OUT A FORM 700
- 10 IS NOT ONE OF MY FAVORITE HOBBIES. HAVING SAID THAT, I
- 11 THINK WHAT WE'RE DOING HERE ON THIS COMMITTEE IS
- 12 PATHBREAKING. I THINK THE SHEAR MAGNITUDE OF THE \$3
- 13 BILLION THAT IS BEING GIVEN OUT IS DRAMATIC. I THINK
- 14 THERE HAVE BEEN CONCERNS FROM THE PUBLIC. OBVIOUSLY
- 15 THERE HAVE BEEN LEGAL CHALLENGES. AND I BELIEVE ON
- 16 BALANCE IT'S THE RIGHT THING FOR US TO DO, TO SET THE
- 17 ABSOLUTE HIGHEST STANDARD.
- 18 IT'S CLEARLY A JUDGMENT CALL. I COMPLETELY
- 19 UNDERSTAND WHERE YOU ARE, ESPECIALLY HAVING GONE
- 20 THROUGH THE HEADACHE MYSELF OF HAVING DONE THIS. I
- 21 BELIEVE, ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE UNIQUE NATURE OF THIS
- 22 BODY, AS WELL AS THE HISTORY OF CHALLENGES WITH THIS
- 23 GROUP, THAT WE WILL BE FAR BETTER OFF SETTING THE
- 24 HIGHEST STANDARD GOING AHEAD AND ADOPTING THIS, THIS
- 25 MOTION. SO WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO --

- 1 MS. CASALEGNO: EXCUSE ME, CHAIRMAN WESTLY.
- THERE WAS ONE OTHER COMMENT SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD BY
- 3 DAVID JENSON, WHO WAS NOT ABLE TO ATTEND. COPIES OF
- 4 THAT ARE AVAILABLE AT THE FRONT DESK AS WELL.
- 5 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 6 MR. JENSON WANTED TO ATTEND. SOME OF YOU MAY HAVE
- 7 FOLLOWED HIS BLOG ON THIS ISSUE, AND HE HAS WRITTEN
- 8 ASKING US NOT TO SEEK AN EXEMPTION FOR SOME OF THE SAME
- 9 REASONS THAT WERE JUST MENTIONED.
- 10 AT THIS POINT ARE THERE OTHER COMMENTS FROM
- 11 THE BOARD? MR. HEIN OR MS. POTTER.
- MR. HEIN: IF I MAY, I'M AN ADVOCATE FOR
- 13 DISCLOSURE.
- 14 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: OKAY. THANK YOU, MR. HEIN.
- 15 ANYTHING ELSE? IF NOT, I'D LIKE TO PROCEED TO A VOTE.
- WE DO HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE
- 17 SAY AYE. ALL OPPOSED?
- MS. POTTER: OPPOSED.
- 19 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, MS. POTTER.
- 20 WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO -- THE MOTION CARRIES -- IS MOVE TO
- 21 ITEM 5, WHICH IS A CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS ON
- 22 THE FINANCIAL PRACTICES OF THE INSTITUTE.
- JUST TO GIVE YOU SOME BACKGROUND, THE
- 24 COMMITTEE WILL HEAR PRESENTATIONS ON THE INDEPENDENT
- 25 FINANCIAL AUDIT BY GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, THE AUDITOR,

- 1 AS WELL AS BY MY OFFICES, THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE
- 2 REVIEW OF THAT REPORT, AND THEN A GENERAL FINANCIAL
- 3 PRACTICES OVERVIEW OF THE INSTITUTE. THE COMMITTEE
- 4 WILL HEAR PUBLIC COMMENT, MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS, OR
- 5 SIMILARLY DIRECT SCO STAFF TO RESEARCH RECOMMENDATIONS
- 6 AND PREPARE A REPORT FOR THE NEXT MEETING.
- 7 WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO AT THIS POINT IS WE HAVE
- 8 THREE PRESENTATIONS. MS. CASALEGNO, CAN YOU INTRODUCE
- 9 THE SPEAKERS?
- 10 MS. CASALEGNO: YES. THE FIRST ONE IS
- 11 MR. WALTER BARNES, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF
- 12 CIRM, AND HE WILL PRESENT THE INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL
- 13 AUDIT PREPARED BY GILBERT & ASSOCIATES.
- 14 MR. BARNES: THANK YOU. YOU SHOULD HAVE A
- 15 COPY OF THE AUDIT IN THE MATERIALS THAT WERE PROVIDED
- 16 TO YOU. YOU PROBABLY DON'T HAVE THE FANCY COVER ON IT,
- 17 BUT YOU HAVE THE AUDIT ITSELF. GENERALLY, I SHOULD
- 18 PROBABLY ANSWER A QUESTION THAT'S GOING THROUGH YOUR
- 19 MIND RIGHT NOW. WHY ISN'T GILBERT HERE TO PRESENT.
- THEIR OWN AUDIT? AND FOR REASONS THAT I'LL MAKE CLEAR
- 21 DURING THE SUBSEQUENT PART OF THE PRESENTATION, GILBERT
- 22 IS NO LONGER OUR AUDITOR. THAT DOESN'T TAKE AWAY FROM
- 23 THE WORTH AND VALIDITY OF THEIR PARTICULAR AUDIT. IT
- 24 HAS TO DO WITH SOME OTHER ISSUES THAT WERE RAISED BY
- 25 THE STATE CONTROLLER DURING THEIR REVIEW.

- BUT IN THE INTEREST OF TRYING TO MAKE SURE
- 2 THAT WE GET THROUGH THIS, GILBERT IS NOT HERE TO
- 3 PRESENT ITS AUDIT, BUT I WILL TAKE YOU THROUGH THE
- 4 ESSENTIAL ISSUES AND FINDINGS AND ALSO ANSWER ANY
- 5 QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE.
- I SHOULD MENTION THAT THIS AUDIT ONLY COVERS
- 7 THE PERIOD FROM INCEPTION OF CIRM THROUGH THE END OF
- 8 THE FIRST FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH IT WAS IN OPERATION,
- 9 WHICH IS JUNE 30TH OF 2006. SO ESSENTIALLY THERE ARE
- 10 ONLY ABOUT SEVEN MONTHS WORTH OF OPERATIONS, AND IT IS
- 11 TOTALLY OPERATIONS. THERE WERE NO GRANTS THAT WERE
- 12 ISSUED DURING THIS PERIOD OF TIME. THERE WERE ONLY THE
- 13 EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH SETTING UP AND OPERATING THE
- 14 CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE.
- 15 IN ADDITION, I SHOULD POINT OUT THAT DURING
- 16 THE PERIOD OF THE AUDIT, THERE WERE ONLY TWO SOURCES OF
- 17 FUNDS THAT WERE AVAILABLE TO CIRM. ONE WAS ACCESS TO A
- 18 \$3 MILLION GENERAL FUND LOAN THAT PROPOSITION 71
- 19 PROVIDED TO ASSIST THE INSTITUTE IN STARTING UP ITS
- 20 OPERATIONS. IN ADDITION, TOWARDS THE END OF THE FISCAL
- 21 YEAR IN JUNE, WE RECEIVED A \$5 MILLION GRANT FROM THE
- 22 DOLBY FAMILY FOUNDATION THAT WAS INTENDED TO ASSIST US
- 23 IN CARRYING OUT THOSE OPERATIONS. THAT BASICALLY HAD
- 24 TO DO WITH THE FACT THAT WE NEEDED ADDITIONAL FUNDING
- 25 BECAUSE OF SOME DELAYS ASSOCIATED WITH SALE OF OUR

- 1 BONDS, WHICH WOULD BE THE MAIN FUNDING SOURCE FOR OUR
- 2 PROGRAMS.
- THE AUDIT ITSELF IS A PRETTY STRAIGHTFORWARD
- 4 DISCUSSION AND PRESENTATION OF OUR FINANCIAL
- 5 STATEMENTS. I WOULD SUGGEST THAT YOU TAKE A LOOK AT
- 6 PAGE 14 OF THE AUDIT. THIS ACTUALLY PROVIDES THE
- 7 DETAIL THAT'S USED IN COMBINED FORM IN ANOTHER PART OF
- 8 THE AUDIT, BUT I THINK SOMETIMES LOOKING AT THE DETAIL
- 9 GIVES A LITTLE BETTER PICTURE OF WHAT'S ACTUALLY
- 10 HAPPENING.
- 11 THIS IS THE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND
- 12 LIABILITIES. ALL OF OUR ASSETS ARE CASH. THERE WERE
- 13 NO HARD EQUIPMENT OR SPACE TYPES OF THINGS THAT WE OWN.
- 14 SO EVERYTHING IN TERMS OF OUR ASSETS ARE CASH.
- THE CASH CONSISTS OF TWO SOURCES. THE
- 16 NONGRANT FUNDS, WHICH IS BASICALLY THE \$3 MILLION
- 17 GENERAL FUND I MENTIONED TO YOU AND THE DOLBY GRANT.
- 18 AS YOU CAN SEE, AT THE BEGINNING -- AT THE END OF THE
- 19 YEAR, WE HAD THE \$5 MILLION IN DOLBY GRANT MONEY. IN
- 20 ADDITION, IN THE NONGRANT COLUMN, THE FIRST COLUMN,
- 21 THERE'S A REFERENCE TO \$112,154. THAT ACTUALLY IS
- 22 UNLIQUIDATED WARRANTS FROM THE LAST DRAW THAT WE MADE
- FOR THE GENERAL FUND. WE ACTUALLY DRAW THE MONEY IN,
- 24 MATCH IT UP WITH WARRANTS BASED ON CLAIMS THAT WE HAVE
- 25 SUBMITTED TO THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE FOR PAYMENT, AND

- 1 THESE PAYMENTS WERE ACTUALLY ISSUED TOWARDS THE END OF
- THE YEAR, BUT NOT ALL OF THOSE PAYMENTS HAD BEEN CASHED
- 3 AND REDEEMED BY THE TREASURER'S OFFICE BEFORE THE END
- 4 OF THE YEAR. SO THAT REPRESENTS AN ASSET TO US,
- 5 ACTUALLY A TEMPORARY ASSET BECAUSE ALL OF THOSE HAVE
- 6 SENSE BEEN REDEEMED IN THE SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEAR.
- 7 THERE'S AN ADDITIONAL REFERENCE TO DUE FROM
- 8 ANOTHER FUND, WHICH IS \$139,224. WE RECEIVED THE DOLBY
- 9 GRANT TOO LATE TO ACTUALLY USE IT FOR SPECIFIC
- 10 EXPENDITURES THAT HAD ALREADY BEEN MADE THAT THEY WERE
- 11 ELIGIBLE FOR. AND SO THIS REPRESENTS ACTUALLY A
- 12 JOURNAL ENTRY THAT WE INITIATED BEFORE THE END OF THE
- 13 YEAR TO ACTUALLY USE SOME OF THE DOLBY MONEY TO PAY FOR
- 14 SOME EXPENDITURES THAT WERE ELIGIBLE FOR DOLBY TO BE
- 15 USED FOR THAT HAD ALREADY BEEN PAID THROUGH THE GENERAL
- 16 FUND.
- 17 THIS WAS AN EXERCISE ON OUR PART TO TRY TO
- 18 ENSURE THAT WE PRESERVED AS MUCH OF THE LOAN AS
- 19 POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF CERTAIN FLEXIBILITIES THAT WERE NOT
- 20 AVAILABLE TO US IN THE DOLBY GRANT IN TERMS OF WHAT WE
- 21 COULD USE THAT MONEY FOR. THAT JOURNAL ENTRY WAS
- 22 PENDING, AGAIN, AT THE END OF THE YEAR, SO IT SHOWS AS
- A DUE FROM AN ASSET IN THE ASSET PART OF IT; BUT, AS
- 24 YOU CAN SEE IN THE THIRD COLUMN, IT'S ALSO BALANCED OUT
- 25 BY THE REDUCTION THAT WILL TAKE PLACE TO THE DOLBY

- 1 GRANT FUND AS WELL. SO, IN EFFECT, IT CANCELS ITSELF
- 2 OUT.
- 3 WITH REGARD TO THE LIABILITIES, THEY CONSIST
- 4 OF TWO CATEGORIES. THERE'S ACCOUNTS PAYABLE, AND THESE
- 5 ARE THE ESTIMATED ACCRUALS THAT WE HAVE, THE
- 6 EXPENDITURES THAT WERE AUTHORIZED AND, TO A CERTAIN
- 7 EXTENT, GOODS OR SERVICES RECEIVED BEFORE THE END OF
- 8 THE YEAR, BUT WHICH WE OWED MONEY ON AND BILLS HAD NOT
- 9 ACTUALLY COME IN TO BE SCHEDULED FOR PAYMENT. MOST OF
- 10 THIS IS IN THE CONTRACTS AREA WHERE WE RECEIVED THE
- 11 SERVICES IN JUNE. WE DON'T ACTUALLY GET THE BILL UNTIL
- 12 JULY. WE PAY THE BILL, AND THEN IT GETS CHARGED BACK
- 13 TO THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR. THIS IS AN ESTIMATE OF
- 14 WHAT THOSE ACCRUALS WILL BE OR WOULD HAVE BEEN AS
- 15 CHARGED.
- 16 WITH REGARD TO THE DUE TO OTHER FUNDS, I'VE
- 17 ALREADY EXPLAINED THE 139,000 FIGURE THAT IS AN OFFSET
- 18 TO THE MONEY MOVED TO THE NONGRANT CATEGORY. AND ALSO,
- 19 THE DUE TO OTHER FUNDS IN THE NONGRANT FUNDS, 1,650,000
- 20 REPRESENTS THE ACTUAL DRAWS THAT WE HAD TAKEN TO THE
- 21 GENERAL FUND \$3 MILLION LOAN. SO WE OWE THAT MONEY;
- 22 AND EVENTUALLY, WHEN WE PAY IT BACK, WE WILL OWE
- 23 INTEREST ON THAT AS WELL.
- 24 SO THAT'S A SUMMARIZATION OF THE ASSETS AND
- 25 LIABILITIES ASSOCIATED WITH OUR OPERATIONS DURING THAT

- 1 FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30TH.
- I'D ALSO ASK YOU TO TAKE A LOOK AT PAGE 15,
- 3 WHICH IS A REFERENCE TO REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES.
- 4 BECAUSE WE'RE ON A CASH ACCRUAL BASIS WITH NO OTHER
- 5 ASSETS, THE NET ASSETS ON PAGE 14, WHICH ARE BASICALLY
- 6 THE FIGURE DOWN AT THE BOTTOM RIGHT-HAND SIDE,
- 7 \$2,457,000, ETC., SHOULD EQUAL THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN
- 8 THE ASSETS, THE NET ASSETS, ON PAGE 14 AND, IN FACT,
- 9 THEY DO. THEY ARE A REFLECTION OF THE FACT THAT MONEY
- 10 GOES IN, MONEY GOES OUT. THAT'S IT. THAT'S ALL OF OUR
- 11 CASH.
- 12 THIS IS ALSO, HOWEVER -- I CALL YOUR
- 13 ATTENTION TO AN ITEM UNDER NONGRANT FUNDS, WHICH IS
- 14 \$84,660. THIS ACTUALLY IS A NONCASH REVENUE, AND IT
- 15 REPRESENTS THE VALUE OF FREE RENT GIVEN TO CIRM AT ITS
- 16 FIRST OFFICES IN EMERYVILLE. THIS IS ACTUALLY
- 17 DESCRIBED IN NOTE 5 ON PAGE 12 IF YOU WANT MORE
- 18 INFORMATION ABOUT IT, BUT ESSENTIALLY THE LEASE THAT WE
- 19 SIGNED WITH THE -- ACTUALLY SIGNED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 20 GENERAL SERVICES, THE COMPANY AGREED TO PROVIDE US THE
- 21 SPACE FREE OF CHARGE. SO THIS IS THE EQUIVALENT OF
- 22 FIVE MONTHS WORTH OF RENT THAT WE WOULD HAVE PAID. IT
- 23 COMES IN AS REVENUE, IN EFFECT, AND THEN IT IS, IN
- 24 EFFECT, IMMEDIATELY SPENT DURING THE MONTH BECAUSE OF
- 25 OUR OCCUPATION OF THE SPACE. SO THE REVENUES ARE

- 1 BALANCED OUT BY AN INCREASE IN A SIMILAR AMOUNT OF
- 2 OPERATING EXPENSES.
- THE OTHER ISSUES I'D POINT OUT TO YOU IS THAT
- 4 ON PAGE 6 ON PAGE -- NOTE 6 ON PAGE 12, THERE IS A
- 5 REFERENCE TO THE FACT THAT OUR DOLBY MONEY CAME IN
- 6 DURING THIS YEAR. THE ONLY THING I WOULD POINT OUT IS
- 7 THAT IT MAKES IT CLEAR IN THIS NOTE THAT THE STATEMENTS
- 8 ON PAGE 14 COMBINE THE BALANCES OF THE GENERAL FUND AND
- 9 LOAN AND THE DOLBY BALANCE TO COME TO A NET FIGURE.
- 10 AND WHAT THIS MAKES CLEAR IS THAT THAT'S FOR DISPLAY
- 11 PURPOSES ONLY. IN FACT, THE DOLBY GRANT THAT WE HAVE
- 12 DOES NOT ALLOW US TO USE IT TO PAY BACK THE GENERAL
- 13 FUND LOAN. AND SO WHILE THE DISPLAY IS CORRECT FROM AN
- 14 ACCOUNTING STANDPOINT, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU
- 15 UNDERSTAND AND THAT EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS THAT, IN
- 16 FACT, IT'S NOT REALLY AN OFFSET. WE CAN'T ACTUALLY PAY
- 17 THAT 1,650,000 WITH THE DOLBY MONEY.
- 18 FINALLY, ON PAGE 9 OR NOTE 9 ON PAGE 13
- 19 PROVIDES INFORMATION ON A NUMBER OF LAWSUITS THAT HAVE,
- 20 IN FACT, HELD UP THE SALE OF BONDS THAT ARE ULTIMATELY
- 21 TO BE USED TO FUND THE OPERATIONS AND THE GRANT
- 22 PROGRAMS WITH CIRM.
- 23 WHEN THOSE BONDS ARE SOLD, THE FIRST PROCEEDS
- 24 ACTUALLY WILL BE USED TO PAY OFF THE GENERAL FUND LOAN
- 25 AND ANY OTHER INTERIM DEBT THAT WE HAVE FROM THE STATE

- 1 OF CALIFORNIA WITH INTEREST. IT TAKES 14 PAGES TO GO
- THROUGH THIS, BUT IT'S REALLY ACTUALLY A FAIRLY SIMPLE
- 3 STATEMENT OF OUR ASSETS AND OUR LIABILITIES.
- 4 THE AUDITOR ISSUED AN UNQUALIFIED OPINION,
- 5 WHICH MEANS THAT THEY COULD FIND NO MATERIAL ISSUES OR
- 6 ERRORS THAT WOULD CHANGE THE INFORMATION THAT WAS
- 7 DISPLAYED, AND SO THAT'S WHAT THEIR AUDIT SAYS.
- 8 I SHOULD ALSO SAY THAT GILBERT ISSUED A
- 9 MANAGEMENT LETTER IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AUDIT, AND
- 10 YOU SHOULD HAVE A COPY OF THAT. AND THEY MADE TWO
- 11 RECOMMENDATIONS. THE FIRST RECOMMENDATION IS SORT OF A
- 12 TECHNICAL RECOMMENDATION THAT HAS TO DO WITH HOW WE
- 13 PRESENT INFORMATION TO THEM DURING THEIR AUDIT. WHEN
- 14 WE MET WITH THEM, WE ACTUALLY GAVE THEM A LISTING OF
- 15 ALL OF OUR EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES AND ASKED THEM TO
- 16 USE THAT TO PREPARE THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. THEY
- 17 SUGGESTED THAT IN THE FUTURE WE SHOULD USE THAT
- 18 INFORMATION TO PREPARE A DRAFT SET OF FINANCIAL
- 19 STATEMENTS THAT THEY COULD REVIEW. AND WE AGREED THAT
- 20 WE WOULD DO THAT, AND THAT AGREEMENT IS NOTED IN THE
- 21 LETTER THAT THEY SENT TO US.
- 22 IN ADDITION, AS PART OF A COMPLIANCE REVIEW,
- 23 THEY TOOK A LOOK AT COST OF -- I'M SORRY -- CONFLICT OF
- 24 INTEREST STATEMENTS THAT ARE PREPARED FOR CIRM STAFF,
- FOR WORK GROUP MEMBERS, AND FOR ICOC MEMBERS. THEY

- 1 NOTED IN THEIR MANAGEMENT LETTER THAT ALL THE
- 2 STATEMENTS FOR CIRM STAFF AND WORK GROUP MEMBERS HAD
- 3 ACTUALLY BEEN SIGNED BY THOSE PERSONS, AGREEING TO
- 4 ABIDE BY THE INFORMATION THAT WAS IN THOSE CONFLICT OF
- 5 INTEREST STATEMENTS. HOWEVER, WHILE THE ICOC MEMBERS
- 6 HAD ACTUALLY VOTED IN OPEN MEETING TO ADOPT THEIR
- 7 STANDARDS, THEY HAD ACTUALLY NOT SIGNED THEM. NOW, WE
- 8 FELT THAT THAT WAS, AND GILBERT DID TOO, FELT THAT THE
- 9 VOTING IN AN OPEN MEETING WAS AN APPROPRIATE SUBSTITUTE
- 10 FOR SIGNING IT. BUT AS THEY POINTED OUT, THERE WERE A
- 11 COUPLE OF PEOPLE WHO WERE NOT AT THAT MEETING, COUPLE
- 12 OF MEMBERS WHO WERE NOT AT THAT MEETING, AND WE'VE HAD
- 13 A FEW NEW MEMBERS SINCE THAT TIME. WHILE THEY'VE BEEN
- 14 GIVEN COPIES OF THE STATEMENT, THEY HADN'T SIGNED THOSE
- 15 EITHER.
- 16 SO WE HAD A CHOICE OF GOING TO THOSE NEW
- 17 MEMBERS OR MEMBERS WHO WEREN'T THERE AND GET THEM TO
- 18 SIGN. WE THOUGHT THAT WAS REALLY KIND OF SILLY, SO WE
- 19 JUST WENT OUT AND GOT EVERYBODY TO SIGN THE STATEMENT,
- 20 ATTESTING THAT THEY AGREE TO ABIDE BY IT. THOSE ARE
- NOW ON FILE WITH OUR ORGANIZATION, AND GILBERT
- 22 MENTIONED THAT WE HAVE TAKEN CARE OF THAT AS WELL.
- 23 SO THAT'S THE GILBERT AUDIT. HAPPY TO ANSWER
- 24 ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE ABOUT THAT.
- 25 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, WALTER. I

- 1 ACTUALLY HAVE A QUESTION, BUT LET ME DEFER TO THE OTHER
- 2 BOARD MEMBERS. ANY PARTICULAR QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?
- 3 MR. LOTT: MR. CHAIR, IF I MAY, AND THIS MAY
- 4 NOT BE AN APPROPRIATE QUESTION FOR THE AUDIT. ACTUALLY
- 5 I DON'T THINK IT IS, BUT WHAT ARE WE INCURRING IN
- 6 INTEREST EXPENSE ON THE LOAN FROM THE GENERAL FUND
- 7 PENDING OUR ABILITY TO BE ABLE TO ACCESS THE BOND
- 8 MARKET AND DO WHAT WE'RE SUPPOSED TO DO? WHAT'S
- 9 HAPPENING?
- 10 MR. BARNES: WE GET CHARGED AT THE POOLED
- 11 MONEY INVESTMENT RATE, WHICH IS WHAT THE TREASURER
- 12 CHARGES FOR ANY LOANS MADE TO A STATE AGENCY. MY
- 13 RECOLLECTION OF THE MOST RECENT RATES IS THAT THEY'RE
- 14 RUNNING SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 3.5 AND 4 PERCENT. BUT KEEP
- 15 IN MIND THAT WE ONLY PAY FROM THE DATE THAT WE DRAW
- 16 DOWN MONEY, AND SO WE ONLY DRAW DOWN MONEY WHEN WE'RE
- 17 ABSOLUTELY READY TO EXPEND IT TO TRY AND MINIMIZE OUR
- 18 INTEREST. PLUS WHICH, WHILE IT'S NOT MENTIONED IN
- 19 HERE, THE DOLBY MONEY IS ACTUALLY ELIGIBLE TO
- 20 PARTICIPATE IN THE POOLED MONEY INVESTMENT FUND THAT
- 21 THE TREASURER RUNS, WHICH MEANS THAT MONIES THAT ARE
- 22 NOT BEING USED ARE INVESTED BY THEM. AND THAT EARNS
- 23 INTEREST WHICH WE CAN HOPEFULLY USE TO CONTINUE TO
- 24 ADVANCE OUR PROGRAMS AND KEEP OUR OPERATIONS GOING.
- 25 I BELIEVE THE FUNDING FROM THAT INTEREST THAT

- 1 WE'VE RECEIVED TO DATE IS SOMEWHERE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD
- 2 OF ABOUT \$100,000.
- 3 MR. LOTT: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.
- 4 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: JUST FROM MY STANDPOINT,
- 5 I'VE SPENT A FAIR BIT OF TIME WITH THIS AUDIT AND
- 6 STAFF, AND IT SEEMS TO BE AWFULLY GOOD NEWS HERE. I'VE
- 7 SEEN AN AWFUL LOT OF QUALIFIED AUDITS, BOTH THE PRIVATE
- 8 SECTOR AND GOVERNMENT, AND THIS IS AN UNQUALIFIED
- 9 SUPPORT FROM GILBERT & ASSOCIATES. I THINK THAT'S
- 10 GREAT NEWS.
- 11 AS I UNDERSTAND IT, WALTER, TO PUT THIS IN
- 12 LAYPERSON'S TERMS, GILBERT REALLY ONLY HAD TWO
- 13 CONCERNS. ONE, SOME MINOR CHANGES IN THE CLOSING
- 14 PROCESS, WHICH YOU'VE ALREADY INSTITUTED. AND, SECOND,
- 15 THAT WE MAKE SOME MINOR CHANGES IN THE CONFLICT OF
- 16 INTEREST FORMS. AND THAT'S SOMETHING ELSE YOU'VE
- 17 ALREADY DONE; IS THAT CORRECT?
- 18 MR. BARNES: THE ONLY THING I WOULD SAY IS WE
- 19 DIDN'T CHANGE THE FORMS THEMSELVES OR ANY OF THE
- 20 REQUIREMENTS, BUT WE DID GO THROUGH AND HAVE THEM
- 21 ATTEST THAT THEY AGREED TO COMPLY BY IT.
- 22 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: KUDOS TO YOU AND THE STAFF
- 23 FOR TAKING CARE OF THAT.
- MS. POTTER, DID YOU --
- 25 LET'S GO ON TO THE SECOND PRESENTATION. AND

- 1 MS. CASALEGNO, WILL YOU INTRODUCE MS. MOORE-HUDNAL?
- MS. CASALEGNO: YES. THE SECOND PRESENTATION
- 3 IS BY MS. CASSANDRA MOORE-HUDNAL WITH THE STATE
- 4 CONTROLLER'S OFFICE. SHE'S THE FINANCIAL AUDITS BUREAU
- 5 CHIEF, AND SHE'S PRESENTING THE STATE CONTROLLER'S
- 6 OFFICE REVIEW OF THE GILBERT & ASSOCIATES AUDIT.
- 7 MS. MOORE-HUDNAL: GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN
- 8 WESTLY AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS. AS YOU KNOW, THE STATE
- 9 CONTROLLER'S OFFICE IS REQUIRED TO REVIEW THE FINANCIAL
- 10 AUDIT OF THE INSTITUTE. SO THE PURPOSE OF OUR REVIEW
- 11 IS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE AUDIT WAS PERFORMED IN
- 12 ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED AUDITING STANDARDS
- 13 AND WHETHER OR NOT THE AUDITORS' WORKING PAPERS
- 14 SUPPORTED THEIR CONCLUSION THAT THE AUDIT WAS -- THE
- 15 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WERE FAIRLY STATED.
- 16 TO PERFORM THE REVIEW, WE DEVELOPED REVIEW
- 17 PROCEDURES BASED ON AUDITING STANDARDS, GENERAL
- 18 FIELDWORK, AND REPORTING. WHAT WE DID IS WE COMPARED
- 19 OUR PROCEDURES TO THE WORKING PAPERS, AND WE FOUND THAT
- 20 THE AUDIT WAS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AUDIT
- 21 STANDARDS.
- 22 WE ALSO DETERMINED THAT THE AUDITORS' WORKING
- 23 PAPERS SUPPORTED THEIR CONCLUSION THAT CIRM'S FINANCIAL
- 24 STATEMENTS WERE FAIRLY STATED.
- 25 IN THE COURSE OF OUR REVIEW, WE IDENTIFIED

- 1 THREE ISSUES THAT WE OUTLINED IN THE LETTER TO MR. HALL
- 2 ON MAY 26TH. THE THREE ISSUES HAD TO DO WITH -- TWO OF
- 3 THEM HAD TO DO WITH ACCOUNTING RELATED ISSUES -- I'M
- 4 SORRY -- AUDIT-RELATED ISSUES AND ONE HAD TO DO WITH AN
- 5 ACCOUNTING-RELATED ISSUE.
- THE ACCOUNTING-RELATED ISSUE DEALT WITH THE
- 7 CAPITALIZATION OF ASSETS THAT WERE PURCHASED BY THE
- 8 INSTITUTE. WE RECOMMENDED THAT THE INSTITUTE FOLLOW
- 9 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA'S CAPITALIZATION POLICY WHEN
- 10 PURCHASING ASSETS.
- 11 THE OTHER TWO ISSUES RELATED SPECIFICALLY TO
- 12 THE AUDIT PROCESS. ONE OF THE ISSUES HAD TO DO WITH
- 13 THE STANDARDS BY WHICH THE AUDIT WAS PERFORMED. THE
- 14 AUDITS WERE PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY
- 15 ACCEPTED AUDITING STANDARDS, AND THE INSTITUTE CAN HAVE
- 16 AN AUDIT PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY
- 17 ACCEPTED AUDITING STANDARDS OR GOVERNMENT AUDITING
- 18 STANDARDS.
- 19 THE GENERALLY ACCEPTED AUDITING STANDARDS ARE
- 20 USED WHEN THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT TO USE GOVERNMENT
- 21 AUDIT STANDARDS. THESE STANDARDS ARE PUBLISHED BY THE
- 22 AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS.
- 23 THE GOVERNMENT AUDIT STANDARDS ARE PRODUCED AND
- 24 PUBLISHED BY THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE. THESE
- 25 STANDARDS INCORPORATE GENERALLY ACCEPTED AUDITING

- 1 STANDARDS AND EXPAND ON THOSE AUDITING STANDARDS. THE
- 2 EXPANSION HAS TO DO WITH AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE, AUDIT
- 3 DOCUMENTATION, AND ADDITIONAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.
- 4 WE BELIEVE THAT IF THE AUDITS ARE PERFORMED
- 5 IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS, THE
- 6 AUDITOR HAS TO ISSUE AN ADDITIONAL REPORT ON INTERNAL
- 7 CONTROL AND ON THE INSTITUTE'S COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN
- 8 LAWS AND REGULATIONS.
- 9 SO WE BELIEVE THAT THAT ADDITIONAL REPORT
- 10 PROVIDES ADDITIONAL ASSURANCE TO THE INSTITUTE AS WELL
- 11 AS THE GENERAL PUBLIC AS TO THE INSTITUTE'S COMPLIANCE
- 12 WITH INTERNAL CONTROL AND WITH CERTAIN RULES AND
- 13 REGULATIONS. THERE WAS NOTHING WRONG, OR THERE WAS NO
- 14 PROBLEM WITH PERFORMING THE AUDIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH
- 15 GENERALLY ACCEPTED AUDITING STANDARDS. WE JUST BELIEVE
- 16 THAT USING GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS RAISES THE
- 17 LEVEL OF ASSURANCE FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC AS WELL AS
- 18 FOR THE INSTITUTE MEMBERS.
- 19 THE LAST ISSUE THAT WE HAD HAD TO DO WITH OUR
- 20 ABILITY TO OBTAIN COPIES OF WORKING PAPERS FROM THE
- 21 AUDITOR. WE FELT THAT WE NEEDED THESE WORKING PAPERS
- TO DOCUMENT OUR REVIEW AS WELL AS OUR CONCLUSIONS
- 23 REACHED. SO WHAT WE DID IS WE RECOMMENDED THAT THE
- 24 INSTITUTE WORK WITH LEGAL COUNSEL TO DETERMINE WAYS
- 25 THAT WE CAN OBTAIN COPIES OF WORKING PAPERS WITHOUT

- 1 LIMIT.
- THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO PRESENT OUR
- 3 REPORT, AND I AM -- FEEL FREE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS
- 4 YOU MAY HAVE.
- 5 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: TERRIFIC. LET ME JUST TAKE
- 6 A MOMENT HERE. I HAVE ALMOST 200 AUDITORS IN THE
- 7 CONTROLLER'S OFFICE. AND CASSANDRA IS ONE OF OUR VERY,
- 8 VERY BEST. I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR
- 9 HARD WORK ON THIS.
- 10 ARE THERE QUESTIONS FROM THE OTHER BOARD
- 11 MEMBERS ON THIS?
- 12 MR. LOTT: I'M READING BETWEEN THE LINES
- 13 HERE. AND MY DAUGHTER TELLS ME OFTEN THAT I JUST DON'T
- 14 GET IT, BUT I MAY NOT BE GETTING IT HERE TOO. BUT YOU
- 15 SOUNDED AS THOUGH THERE WAS SOME RECALCITRANCE ON THE
- 16 PART OF THE AUDITORS TO SHARE WITH YOUR THEIR WORKING
- 17 PAPERS. AM I HEARING THAT CORRECTLY?
- 18 MS. MOORE-HUDNAL: WE HAD FULL ACCESS TO THE
- 19 WORKING PAPERS TO PERFORM OUR REVIEW, SO THERE WAS NO
- 20 PROBLEM WITH THAT. IT WAS MORE OF A MATTER OF WE
- 21 WANTED SOME COPIES OF WORKING PAPERS TO PUT IN OUR
- 22 FILES SO THAT WE CAN DOCUMENT OUR REVIEW AND OUR
- 23 CONCLUSIONS IN CASE THERE'S AN ISSUE THAT COMES UP.
- AND FOR THIS YEAR'S AUDIT, IT WASN'T AN ISSUE
- 25 BECAUSE IT WAS AN EIGHT-MONTH PERIOD.

- 1 MR. LOTT: MY DAUGHTER WAS RIGHT. I DIDN'T
- 2 GET IT RIGHT.
- 3 MS. MOORE-HUDNAL: SO IN SUBSEQUENT AUDITS,
- 4 THIS MAY PRESENT AN ISSUE FOR US.
- 5 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, MR. LOTT. IF
- 6 THERE ARE NO OTHERS, I'D LIKE TO MOVE ON TO THE THIRD
- 7 PRESENTATION. ANY OTHER COMMENTS? THEN WHAT WE'LL DO
- 8 IS ASK FOR A MOTION OF SUPPORT ON ALL THREE.
- 9 MR. BRUNNER: MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE A QUESTION
- 10 REGARDING -- MAYBE THIS IS NOT THE RIGHT TIME, BUT
- 11 CONCERNING FUTURE AUDITS, THE TIMING OF FUTURE AUDITS.
- 12 IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU'RE ABOUT TO ENGAGE ANOTHER AUDIT
- 13 FIRM. WHAT'S THE SENSE OF THE SCHEDULE FOR FUTURE
- 14 AUDITS BECAUSE THIS ONE IS FOR -- WE'RE 14 MONTHS, 15
- 15 MONTHS BEYOND THE CLOSE OF THE PERIOD WHICH IS BEING
- 16 AUDITED. IS THAT TIMING ANTICIPATED FOR THE FUTURE, OR
- 17 WILL THEY BE MORE TIMELY THAN THAT?
- 18 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: WALTER, ARE YOU GOING TO
- 19 COVER THAT IN YOUR NEXT PRESENTATION?
- MR. BARNES: ACTUALLY I WAS HOPING TO BE ABLE
- 21 TO RESPOND TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS FIRST AND LET YOU
- 22 KNOW WHERE WE ARE WITH IMPLEMENTING THOSE BECAUSE IT
- 23 GOES, I THINK, TO THE HEART OF HIS QUESTION AS WELL.
- 24 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: WHY DON'T YOU GO AHEAD AND
- 25 DO THAT, AND THEN SPEAK TO MR. BRUNNER'S ISSUE. AND

- 1 THEN WHY DON'T YOU GO RIGHT AHEAD INTO YOUR
- 2 PRESENTATION.
- 3 MR. BARNES: FIRST OFF, WITH REGARD TO THE
- 4 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WERE MADE, WE'RE CERTAINLY IN
- 5 AGREEMENT WITH THE RECOMMENDATION ON THE \$15,000 LIMIT.
- 6 AND WE ARE SOMEWHAT EMBARRASSED BY THAT, BUT IT
- 7 HAPPENED VERY EARLY IN OUR OPERATIONS. AND WE HAVE
- 8 MADE SURE THAT WE'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE THAT HAPPEN
- 9 AGAIN. AS IT TURNS OUT, WE'VE ONLY HAD THE ONE ITEM
- 10 THAT ACTUALLY QUALIFIES FOR THAT DURING THAT PERIOD OF
- 11 TIME AND ALL THE WAY UP UNTIL NOW.
- 12 WITH REGARD TO THE GAGAS, I HAVE TO ADMIT TO
- 13 BEING SORT OF PERSONALLY EMBARRASSED BY THAT HAVING
- 14 SUPERVISED THE AUDIT PROGRAM AT THE STATE CONTROLLER'S
- 15 OFFICE IN WORKING WITH CASSANDRA ON A NUMBER OF ISSUES.
- 16 I SHOULD HAVE PICKED THAT UP IN THE TEMPLATE THAT WE
- 17 GOT FROM ANOTHER AGENCY THAT WE USED TO PUT OUR BID
- 18 PROCESS OUT. UNFORTUNATELY, FOR SOME REASON, THEY
- 19 INDICATED GAAS AND NOT GAGAS LIKE WE SHOULD HAVE DONE.
- 20 AND SO, ANYWAY, WE HAVE AGREED THAT WE WILL MAKE SURE
- 21 THAT FUTURE AUDITS WILL BE DONE IN THAT WAY.
- 22 WITH REGARD TO THE PAPER FINDING, I THINK
- 23 IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT OR TO REALIZE THAT
- 24 GILBERT, AND I APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENT, GILBERT DID NOT
- DENY ACCESS TO ANY WORKING PAPERS, AND THEY WERE ABLE

- 1 TO MAKE THEIR REVIEW AND REACH A CONCLUSION. AT THE
- 2 SAME TIME IT'S OBVIOUS THAT FUTURE AUDITS ARE GOING TO
- 3 BE MORE COMPLICATED. THEY NEED TO HAVE COPIES OF THESE
- 4 DOCUMENTS. GILBERT FELT THAT SOME OF THE PAPERS THAT
- 5 THEY DID NOT WANT TO PROVIDE COPIES TO CONTAINED WHAT
- 6 THEY FELT WERE TRADE SECRETS AND CONFIDENTIAL
- 7 COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION THAT IS PRIVILEGED
- 8 AND CONFIDENTIAL FROM THEIR STANDPOINT. NOT FROM US,
- 9 FROM THEIR STANDPOINT.
- 10 WE TALKED TO THEM WITH OUR LEGAL COUNSEL AND
- 11 WITH THE LEGAL COUNSEL FROM THE STATE CONTROLLER'S
- 12 OFFICE AFTER THE AUDIT AND TOLD THEM THAT WE NEEDED TO
- 13 HAVE THEM COMPLY WITH THIS REQUEST TO PROVIDE COPIES.
- 14 WE DEVELOPED LANGUAGE TO AMEND THE CONTRACT THAT WE HAD
- 15 WITH GILBERT, WHICH WOULD HAVE REQUIRED SPECIFICALLY
- 16 THAT THOSE COPIES BE MADE AVAILABLE. GILBERT INDICATED
- 17 THAT THEY FELT THEY JUST COULDN'T ACCEPT THAT LANGUAGE.
- 18 AND SO WE TERMINATED THEIR CONTRACT.
- 19 WE HAVE SINCE INITIATED A NEW REQUEST FOR
- 20 PROPOSAL. THE BIDS FOR THAT PROPOSAL WILL BE DUE ON
- 21 SEPTEMBER 18TH. WE HAVE INCLUDED IN THERE BOTH GAGAS
- 22 STANDARDS AND THE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE THAT THE
- 23 CONTROLLER'S OFFICE AND WE NEGOTIATED TO COME UP WITH
- 24 TO ENSURE THAT COPIES ARE MADE. AND SO WE BELIEVE THAT
- 25 THAT WILL NOT BE AN ISSUE IN A FUTURE AUDIT.

- 1 AS TO WHEN THAT AUDIT IS GOING TO TAKE PLACE,
- OUR HOPE IS TO HAVE THE AUDIT FIRM SELECTED AND IN
- 3 PLACE, HOPEFULLY, BY THE END OF THIS NEXT WEEK. AND
- 4 THEN THE AUDIT OF THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR, WHICH WOULD BE
- 5 THE ONE ENDING JUNE 30, 2006, WILL BE DONE, WE PROJECT,
- 6 SOMETIME AROUND THE MONTH OF DECEMBER. SO AT THAT
- 7 POINT, WE WILL THEN BE UP TO DATE. AND, YOU KNOW, WE
- 8 ALSO HAVE A PROVISION IN THE CONTRACT THAT FOR FUTURE
- 9 AUDITS, THEY WILL BE PERFORMED WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE
- 10 BOOKS AND RECORDS OF ALL SUBSEQUENT YEARS ARE CLOSED.
- 11 I WILL SAY THAT WE GOT A LITTLE LATE START IN
- 12 PUTTING THIS AUDIT TOGETHER. WE ATTRIBUTE THAT TO THE
- 13 FACT THAT WE WERE JUST TOO BUSY TRYING TO SET UP THE
- 14 ORGANIZATION TO DEAL WITH THAT RIGHT AT THAT PARTICULAR
- 15 PERIOD OF TIME, BUT WE DID MANAGE TO GET IT DONE AS
- 16 QUICKLY AS WE CAN. AND WE'LL CERTAINLY BE ON TIME IN
- 17 THE FUTURE.
- 18 IN THE MEANTIME WE DO PROVIDE COPIES OF OUR
- 19 UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE CONTROLLER'S
- 20 OFFICE DIVISION OF ACCOUNTING, LIKE ALL OTHER STATE
- 21 AGENCIES, TO BE REFLECTED IN THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL
- 22 REPORTS. SO THAT'S HOW WE'RE DOING WITH THAT. IF YOU
- 23 HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THAT, IF NOT, I'LL GO AHEAD
- 24 INTO PRESENTATION ON FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES.
- 25 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, WALTER.

- 1 ANYTHING ELSE? I THINK HIS FINAL PRESENTATION MAY
- 2 ACTUALLY CLEAR THAT UP.
- 3 MR. LOTT: I'M SORRY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU
- 4 VERY MUCH. IT JUST SEEMS TO ME THAT PEOPLE THAT WE'RE
- 5 DOING BUSINESS WITH WITH THIS WHOLE NEW AND EXCITING
- 6 VENTURE NEED TO UNDERSTAND IT AIN'T BUSINESS AS USUAL.
- 7 WE REALLY NEED TO HAVE PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS
- 8 GROUNDBREAKING, THIS IS NEW STUFF THAT WE'RE DOING, AND
- 9 THEY HAVE TO BE WILLING TO BE OPEN, COMPLETELY OPEN,
- 10 WITH WHAT THEY'RE DOING AND WITH THE DECISIONS THAT
- 11 THEY MAKE AND INFORMATION THAT THEY PROVIDE.
- 12 I'M MAKING A SPEECH HERE, I GUESS. IT SEEMS
- 13 LIKE FOLKS THINK THAT THIS IS JUST A WELL THEY CAN COME
- 14 TO AND PARTICIPATE IN. AND I WOULD HOPE THAT PEOPLE
- 15 SEE THAT THIS NEW AND EXCITING VENTURE THAT WE'RE
- 16 EMBARKING UPON REQUIRES OPENNESS, COMPLETE OPENNESS,
- 17 AND COOPERATION AND NOT THE TYPE OF -- WELL, ANYWAY.
- 18 I'VE SAID ENOUGH.
- 19 MR. BARNES: I COULD SAY YOU MAY BE MAKING A
- 20 SPEECH, BUT YOU'RE PREACHING TO THE CONVERTED. AS I
- 21 SAID, WE TRIED TO WORK OUT THE ISSUE WITH GILBERT. I
- 22 HAVE TO ADMIT TO SOME PUZZLEMENT ON MY OWN PART ABOUT
- THEIR ISSUE AND HOW IMPORTANT IT WAS TO THEM; BUT AS
- 24 SOON AS WE REALIZED THAT WE COULD NOT MAKE ANY HEADWAY,
- 25 WE TERMINATED THEIR CONTRACT. IT WAS NOT IN OUR BEST

- 1 INTEREST TO CONTINUE WITH THAT RELATIONSHIP.
- CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, WALTER. WHY
- 3 DON'T YOU GO INTO YOUR FINAL REPORT, AND THEN WE CAN
- 4 TAKE FINAL QUESTIONS, AND THEN I'LL ASK FOR A MOTION.
- 5 MR. BARNES: OKAY. YOU HAVE A BINDER AND A
- 6 SUMMARY PRESENTATION. THE BINDER GENERALLY CONTAINS A
- 7 LOT OF MATERIALS THAT SORT OF ILLUSTRATE SOME OF THE
- 8 THINGS THAT WE ARE DOING TO MAINTAIN OUR FINANCIAL
- 9 PRACTICES AND CARRY THEM OUT IN AN APPROPRIATE MANNER.
- 10 FIRST OFF, I SHOULD SAY THAT I'D LIKE TO
- 11 RECOGNIZE THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE CONTRIBUTION TO THE
- 12 SUCCESS THAT WE'VE HAD IN IMPLEMENTING CIRM AS A WHOLE.
- 13 THERE HAS BEEN AN INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT BY WHICH STAFF
- 14 AND THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE HELPED US TO ACQUIRE OUR
- 15 SPACE, OUR EQUIPMENT, INSTALL OUR I.T. SYSTEM, AND HIRE
- 16 STAFF THAT WE NEEDED TO ACTUALLY OPEN AN OFFICE AND
- 17 BEGIN OPERATIONS.
- 18 IN ADDITION, THE INTERNAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE
- 19 OF THE STATE CONTROLLER'S ACTUALLY PREPARES ALL OF THE
- 20 CLAIMS THAT WE HAVE FOR PAYMENT, BE THEY OPERATIONS OR
- 21 FOR GRANT PAYMENTS, TO ENSURE THAT THEY MEET THE
- 22 STANDARDS THAT THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE AUDITS DIVISION
- 23 REQUIRES IN ORDER TO PERFORM THEIR AUDIT AND REVIEW AND
- 24 APPROVE A PAYMENT FOR A WARRANT.
- 25 FINALLY, THE ACCOUNTING OFFICE ALSO MAINTAINS

- 1 AND OPERATES OUR ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AND PROCESSES THE
- 2 NECESSARY REPORTS THAT WE HAVE TO KEEP CONTROL AND
- 3 OVERSIGHT OF OUR EXPENDITURES. NOW, I WANT TO STRESS
- 4 THAT IT'S STILL OUR RESPONSIBILITY, FULLY OUR
- 5 RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT THE CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT
- 6 ARE CORRECT AND ALLOWABLE. BUT I HAVE TO SAY THAT THE
- 7 TECHNICAL SUPPORT THAT WE'VE BEEN RECEIVING BASICALLY
- 8 PROVIDES A LITTLE GREATER ELEMENT OF ACCURACY OF THE
- 9 PROCESS. HAVING WORKED IN THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, I
- 10 KNOW THAT THE ACCOUNTING OFFICE IS DOUBLY CLEAR ABOUT
- 11 TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYTHING THAT THEY DO IS
- 12 ABSOLUTELY CORRECT SO THAT IT PASSES ITS OWN AUDITS
- 13 TEST. AND SO I THINK THAT'S BEEN A BENEFIT TO US TO BE
- 14 ABLE TO ACCESS AND HAVE THEIR ASSISTANCE ON THAT. I
- 15 JUST WANTED TO PASS THAT ON TO EVERYBODY.
- GOING TO THE FIRST PAGE, I THINK JUST ONE OF
- 17 THE THINGS TO REMIND EVERYBODY, AND I KNOW SOMETIMES
- 18 THE SPECIAL NATURE OF THE ACTIVITIES THAT WE'RE ENGAGED
- 19 IN SOMETIMES OBSCURES THE FACT THAT WE'RE REALLY A
- 20 STATE AGENCY, AND A PRETTY GARDEN VARIETY STATE AGENCY
- 21 LIKE ANY OTHER STATE AGENCY THAT'S OUT THERE, THE
- 22 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE OR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
- 23 SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, ANY OF THOSE
- 24 AGENCIES, WE HAVE TO FOLLOW ALL OF THE RULES AND
- 25 REGULATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH, YOU KNOW, OTHER STATE

- 1 AGENCIES. AND I LISTED A COUPLE HERE THAT ARE JUST
- 2 INDICATIVE OF THOSE THAT AFFECT OUR FINANCIAL
- 3 OPERATIONS.
- 4 THE STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, FOR INSTANCE,
- 5 ALL OF OUR ACCOUNTING FOR OUR FUNDS IS DONE IN
- 6 ACCORDANCE WITH THE FUND ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES AND
- 7 PROCESSES THAT ARE SET UP BY THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE
- 8 AND MAINTAINED BY THEM FOR EVERY OTHER DEPARTMENT IN
- 9 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. IN ADDITION, YOU KNOW, THE
- 10 CLAIMS, AS I MENTIONED, FOR PAYMENT OF OPERATING COSTS
- 11 AND GRANT PROGRAMS MUST BE PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
- 12 THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCEPTABILITY
- 13 IN TERMS OF ALL OTHER STATE AGENCIES AS WELL.
- 14 IN ADDITION, EVERY REQUEST FOR PAYMENT IS
- 15 AUDITED BY THE AUDITS OFFICE OF THE STATE CONTROLLER
- 16 PRIOR TO ISSUING THE WARRANT. SO WE HAVE TO GO THROUGH
- 17 THE SAME PROCESS FOR ALL OF THAT THAT EVERYBODY ELSE
- 18 DOES. DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES IS COMPLETELY IN
- 19 CHARGE OF ALL SPACE ACQUISITION ACTIVITIES THAT WE
- 20 HAVE. BOTH OUR INITIAL EMERYVILLE OFFICE AS WELL AS
- 21 OUR FINAL HEADQUARTERS HERE IN SAN FRANCISCO WERE ALL
- 22 ACQUIRED UNDER THE PROCEDURES AND OVERSIGHT OF THE
- 23 DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES.
- 24 IN ADDITION, ONE OF OUR MAIN PROCUREMENT
- 25 TOOLS IS THE CALCARD SYSTEM, A SYSTEM OF CREDIT CARDS

- 1 THAT ARE DELEGATED TO EACH DEPARTMENT TO USE TO BUY
- 2 SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS AND BOOKS AND THINGS LIKE THAT.
- 3 SO WE HAVE SET THAT UP AS WELL FOLLOWING THEIR
- 4 REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES.
- 5 WITH REGARD TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, WE
- 6 HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE BUDGET REPORTS AT THE
- 7 BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR THAT ARE USED IN PUTTING
- 8 TOGETHER THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSED BUDGET AND AT THE END
- 9 OF EACH YEAR SHOWING THE EXPENDITURES AND DETAIL OF
- 10 INFORMATION ABOUT OUR FINANCIAL STATUS.
- 11 IN ADDITION, LIKE EVERY OTHER STATE AGENCY,
- WE ARE REQUIRED TO GO TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE FOR
- 13 APPROVAL OF ALL OUT-OF-STATE AND OUT-OF-COUNTRY TRIPS
- 14 LIKE EVERY OTHER STATE AGENCY. AND THEN PROBABLY AT
- 15 LEAST AS IMPORTANT AS ANY OF THE OTHERS, THE STATE
- 16 TREASURER'S OFFICE IS THE LEAD AGENCY WITH REGARD TO
- 17 THE FINANCING COMMITTEE THAT IS GOING TO DEAL WITH OUR
- 18 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS. SO THERE ARE OTHER
- 19 NONFINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS THAT WE HAVE TO MEET SUCH AS
- 20 RECORDS RETENTION AND CERTAIN REPORTS TO THE PERSONNEL,
- 21 DPA, DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION, ON HIRING
- 22 AND ON BILINGUAL CAPABILITIES IN OUR RECEPTIONIST'S
- 23 OFFICE AND THINGS LIKE THAT. TOO MANY TO MENTION HERE,
- JUST TO GIVE YOU A SENSE THAT WE ARE BASICALLY UNDER
- 25 THE CONTROL AND FOLLOWING THE MANDATES REQUIRED OF US

- 1 BY THE MAJOR STATE CONTROL AGENCIES IN THE STATE OF
- 2 CALIFORNIA.
- GOING TO THE SECOND PAGE, HOWEVER, I ALSO
- 4 WANTED TO SAY THAT THERE ARE CERTAIN PROVISIONS IN
- 5 PROPOSITION 71 THAT DO HAVE AN IMPACT ON OUR FINANCIAL
- 6 ACTIVITIES. I WANTED TO MENTION THOSE TO YOU AND GIVE
- 7 YOU A LITTLE BIT OF INFORMATION ABOUT HOW WE ARE
- 8 DEALING WITH THESE PARTICULAR ASPECTS.
- 9 FIRST OFF, AND BY THE WAY, UNDER TAB 1 I'VE
- 10 GIVEN YOU A COPY OF PROPOSITION 71. YOU PROBABLY HAVE
- 11 IT ALREADY, BUT JUST THOUGHT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR
- 12 YOU. FIRST IS THAT UNDER THE CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISION,
- 13 THE FUNDING, WHICH IS BASICALLY ALL FUNDING ASSOCIATED
- 14 WITH, YOU KNOW, THE CIRM'S OPERATION, IS CONTINUOUSLY
- 15 APPROPRIATED, WHICH MEANS THAT THIS MONEY IS NOT -- WE
- 16 DO NOT HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE BUDGET PROCESS WITH
- 17 REGARD TO BEING INCLUDED IN THE STATE BUDGET BILL
- 18 THAT'S PASSED EACH YEAR. IN EFFECT, THE MONEY IS
- 19 AVAILABLE TO US TO EXPEND UNDER THE SUPERVISION AND
- 20 OVERSIGHT OF THE INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT
- 21 COMMITTEE, WHICH HAS MEMBERS THAT ARE APPOINTED BY ALL
- 22 OF THE MAJOR ELECTED OFFICERS IN THE STATE OF
- 23 CALIFORNIA.
- 24 WE ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO FOLLOW THE PROVISIONS
- OF THE UC PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE, WHICH DEALS WITH

- 1 PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES AND, MOST
- 2 IMPORTANTLY, CONTRACTS. AND I'VE ACTUALLY UNDER TAB 2
- 3 GIVEN YOU A COPY OF THE TWO MAIN DOCUMENTS THAT UC PUTS
- 4 OUT TO DEAL WITH THESE, BUSINESS 34 AND BUSINESS 43,
- 5 WHICH CONTAINS ALL OF THEIR REQUIREMENTS WITH REGARD TO
- 6 PROCUREMENT THAT WE ARE REQUIRED TO FOLLOW.
- 7 IN ADDITION, UNDER THE CONSTITUTIONAL
- 8 PROVISION, THE 50 EMPLOYEES THAT ARE ALLOWED BY CIRM
- 9 ARE ALL EXEMPT FROM THE CIVIL SERVICE PROCESS, AND
- 10 COMPENSATION IS TO BE SET BY THE ICOC.
- 11 IN ADDITION, THE ICOC IS AUTHORIZED TO ACCEPT
- 12 DONATIONS, GIFTS, AND THINGS LIKE THAT FROM
- 13 ORGANIZATIONS THAT WILL HELP TO FURTHER THE OPERATIONS
- 14 OF CIRM. AND THE DOLBY GRANT IS ONE EXAMPLE OF THOSE
- 15 GIFTS.
- 16 IN ADDITION, THERE'S CERTAIN SPENDING LIMITS
- 17 THAT ARE IMPOSED ON THE BOND PROCEEDS, PARTICULARLY
- 18 WITH REGARD TO OPERATIONS, TO ENSURE THAT THE MAXIMUM
- 19 AMOUNT OF FUNDING THAT WE RECEIVE WILL GO TO GRANT
- 20 PROGRAMS, WHICH IS OBVIOUSLY THE MAIN ROLE OF CIRM.
- 21 AND THEN, FINALLY, THE FAOC ITSELF IS A BODY
- 22 UNLIKE BODIES THAT I'VE SEEN IN MY EXPERIENCE WITH
- 23 STATE SERVICE WITH REGARD TO STATE AUDITS. THERE ARE A
- 24 NUMBER OF STATE AUDITS THAT ARE REQUIRED OF STATE
- 25 AGENCIES, BUT TO HAVE AN AGENCY WITH AN ADVISORY

- 1 COMMITTEE LIKE THIS TO SET UP AND SPEND TIME LOOKING AT
- 2 IT AND REVIEWING IT AND PROVIDING FEEDBACK, I THINK
- 3 THAT'S VERY UNUSUAL.
- 4 IF YOU GO TO THE NEXT PAGE, AS I MENTIONED,
- 5 I'VE GIVEN YOU A COPY OF THE UC BUSINESS AND FINANCE
- 6 BULLETINS. I'VE ALSO GIVEN YOU A COPY OF THE CIRM
- 7 CONTRACT POLICY AND PROCEDURE WHICH SUMMARIZES THE
- 8 MATERIALS THAT ARE IN THIS DOCUMENT, THESE TWO
- 9 DOCUMENTS. IT'S NOT INTENDED TO BE A COMPLETE
- 10 RECITATION OF EVERYTHING THAT'S IN THERE. IT'S
- 11 BASICALLY TO GIVE THE EMPLOYEES IN CIRM AN
- 12 UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE ARE CERTAIN SPECIFIC CONTRACT
- 13 ACTIVITIES THAT THEY HAVE TO COMPLY WITH AND TO GET
- 14 THEM TO DIRECT THEIR QUESTIONS INTO THE OFFICE OF
- 15 ADMINISTRATION SO THAT WE CAN HELP THEM COMPLY WITH ALL
- 16 OF THESE REQUIREMENTS.
- 17 IN ADDITION, THAT POLICY AND PROCEDURE WAS
- 18 APPROVED BY THE ICOC AT A MEETING AT WHICH THEY ALSO
- 19 OUTLINED THOSE TYPES OF CONTRACTS THAT THEY RESERVE TO
- 20 THEMSELVES TO APPLY -- TO APPROVE AND WHICH ONES THEY
- 21 DELEGATED AWAY TO THE PRESIDENT.
- 22 I'VE ALSO GIVEN YOU A COPY OF OUR PROCEDURE
- 23 FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF ALL OF THE DIFFERENT TYPES
- 24 OF EXPENDITURES THAT WE HAVE, TRAVEL CLAIMS, CONTRACT
- 25 INVOICES, YOU KNOW, TIME SHEETS, ALL OF THAT KIND OF

- 1 THING. AND I SHOULD SAY THAT IF YOU GO INTO ANY OTHER
- 2 STATE AGENCY, YOU WILL FIND DOCUMENTS JUST LIKE THAT
- 3 THAT LAY OUT THE PROCESS BY WHICH THESE EXPENDITURES
- 4 ARE TO BE REVIEWED AND APPROVED PRIOR TO SUBMITTING
- 5 THEM TO THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE FOR PAYMENT.
- 6 AS I MENTIONED, THE PRIMARY VEHICLE FOR
- 7 PURCHASING IN THE CIRM IS THE CALCARD SYSTEM. THERE IS
- 8 EXTENSIVE GENERAL SERVICES MATERIAL ON WHAT YOU CAN
- 9 PURCHASE, WHAT YOU CANNOT PURCHASE. ALL OF STAFF
- 10 ASSIGNED CALCARDS HAVE BEEN TRAINED IN THOSE
- 11 PROCEDURES. AND IN ADDITION, THIS LAYS OUT THE
- 12 SPECIFICS OF WHO GETS TO APPROVE EITHER THE RECEIPT OF
- 13 GOODS AND SERVICES AND WHO GETS TO -- AND IS CHARGED
- 14 WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR APPROVING THE PAYMENT.
- 15 SO ESSENTIALLY THIS IS HOW WE HAVE
- 16 IMPLEMENTED IT. WE'VE WRITTEN DOWN ALL OF OUR
- 17 PROCEDURES. WE'VE TRAINED OUR EMPLOYEES, AND THAT'S
- 18 HOW WE'RE DOING IT.
- 19 WITH REGARD TO COMPENSATION, AS I MENTIONED,
- 20 UNDER PROPOSITION 71, THE ICOC IS AUTHORIZED TO SET
- 21 COMPENSATION. PROPOSITION 71 ALSO SAYS THAT THAT
- 22 COMPENSATION IS TO BE SET BASED UPON SALARIES IN THE UC
- 23 MEDICAL SCHOOLS AND IN NONPROFIT ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH
- 24 INSTITUTIONS IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. WHAT WE DID
- 25 IS WE HIRED A CONTRACTOR TO ACTUALLY CONDUCT A SURVEY

- 1 OF THESE TWO GROUPS OF AGENCIES TO FIND SALARY
- 2 INFORMATION FOR ALL OF THE VARIOUS POSITIONS THAT WE
- 3 HAD IN RELATIONSHIP TO COMPATIBLE POSITIONS IN THEIR
- 4 ORGANIZATION. WE ALSO MADE SURE TO EXCLUDE THINGS LIKE
- 5 BONUSES, INCENTIVES, ALLOWANCES SUCH AS HOUSING
- 6 ALLOWANCES OR ANY OF THAT KIND OF THING, SO THAT WE
- 7 COULD GET DOWN TO THE BASE SALARY, WHICH IS WHAT WE
- 8 WANTED TO DO.
- 9 I SHOULD SAY RIGHT NOW THAT, WHILE THE ICOC
- 10 CAN SET COMPENSATION, THEY DON'T SET BENEFITS. AND SO
- 11 ALL OF THE BENEFITS THAT OUR EMPLOYEES RECEIVE ARE THE
- 12 SAME BENEFITS THAT EVERY OTHER STATE AGENCY RECEIVES.
- 13 WE HAD THREE ICOC HEARINGS TO REVIEW AND
- 14 BASICALLY SUPPLEMENT THE RESULTS, THE TWO HEARINGS BY
- 15 THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE, WHICH OVERSEES OUR
- 16 OPERATIONS, AND A FINAL HEARING BY THE ICOC AT WHICH
- 17 THE FINAL COMPENSATION PROGRAM WAS APPROVED. AND I
- 18 HAVE GIVEN YOU A COPY OF BOTH THE LAST SPREADSHEET THAT
- 19 WE PRESENTED TO THE ICOC SO YOU CAN SEE ALL OF THE
- 20 VARIOUS SOURCES OF INFORMATION THAT WE PUT TOGETHER AND
- 21 A SHEET THAT SUMMARIZES THE COMPENSATION BY POSITION.
- 22 I SHOULD SAY THAT IN THE RUN-UP BETWEEN THE
- 23 FIRST PRESENTATION, WHICH WAS STRICTLY BASED ON THE UC
- 24 MEDICAL SCHOOLS AND THE NONPROFIT ACADEMIC, WE ENDED UP
- 25 WITH SALARIES AND WAGES THAT WERE ANYWHERE FROM 6 TO 19

- 1 PERCENT LESS THAN THE ORIGINAL PROPOSAL. THE ICOC FELT
- 2 THAT THEY NEEDED TO HAVE SOME LESSER AMOUNTS WITH
- 3 REGARD TO THOSE THINGS. AND I SHOULD ALSO SAY THAT WE
- 4 DO COMPETITIVE RECRUITMENTS ON ALL OF OUR POSITIONS
- 5 NOW, AND I WOULD SAY THAT THE FACT THAT ALL OF OUR
- 6 HIRES BEFORE THE COMPENSATION PLAN WAS ABLE TO BE PUT
- 7 INTO PLACE ENDED UP THAT EVERYBODY WHO WAS IN A
- 8 POSITION THAT WAS COMPARABLE TO THE POSITION THAT WE
- 9 HAD THE SALARY RANGE FOR HAPPENED TO END UP IN THAT
- 10 RANGE. SOME WERE AT THE HIGH LEVEL, SOME WERE AT THE
- 11 LOW LEVEL, SOME WERE IN BETWEEN, BUT CERTAINLY IT WAS A
- 12 VERY GOOD INDICATION THAT THE HIRES THAT WE HAD TO MAKE
- 13 AT THE BEGINNING BEFORE WE HAD THIS WERE CONSISTENT
- 14 WITH WHAT ULTIMATELY BECAME OUR COMPENSATION PROGRAM.
- 15 WITH REGARD TO DONATIONS, ICOC IS AUTHORIZED
- 16 TO ACCEPT BOTH REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY. WE'VE HAD
- 17 THREE DONATIONS TO DATE. THERE'S THE DOLBY FAMILY
- 18 FOUNDATION I MENTIONED. WE RECEIVED \$50,000 FROM
- 19 RICHARD K. ROBBINS, AND WE RECEIVED ANOTHER \$350,000
- 20 FROM THE RICHARD AND GOLDA GOLDMAN FOUNDATION. AFTER
- 21 THESE INITIAL RECEIPTS THAT WERE VOTED ON BY THE ICOC
- 22 IN OPEN SESSION, THE ICOC ACTUALLY ADOPTED A POLICY AND
- 23 PROCEDURE WITH REGARD TO THE RECEIPT OF GIFTS, AND
- 24 THAT'S UNDER TAB 7. AND THAT ONE BASICALLY LAYS OUT
- 25 SOME DELEGATIONS THAT THEY AGREED TO MAKE TO THE

- 1 PRESIDENT AND THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR RECEIPT OF
- 2 CERTAIN DONATIONS, BUT IT ALSO LAYS OUT THE SPECIFIC
- 3 REPORTS THAT HAVE TO COME BACK TO THE ICOC FOR
- 4 DONATIONS THAT THEY ARE AUTHORIZED TO ACCEPT, PLUS IT
- 5 STILL LEAVES CERTAIN MAJOR GIFTS, LIKE REAL PROPERTY
- 6 AND GIFTS OVER A CERTAIN AMOUNT, TO BE LEFT TO THE ICOC
- 7 TO MAKE THAT FINAL DECISION.
- 8 IT ALSO CONTAINS PROHIBITIONS TO ENSURE THAT
- 9 WE DO NOT TAKE DONATIONS FROM AGENCIES THAT ARE NOW OR
- 10 COULD BE IN THE FUTURE A RECIPIENT OF A GRANT
- 11 ASSOCIATED WITH OUR GRANT PROGRAMS. SO THAT POLICY IS
- 12 IN PLACE AND IS IN OPERATION RIGHT NOW.
- 13 WITH REGARD TO THE SPENDING LIMITS ON BOND
- 14 PROCEDURES, UNDER TAB 8 WE'VE GIVEN YOU A VERBAL
- 15 LISTING OF, YOU KNOW, THE VARIOUS PROVISIONS IN
- 16 PROPOSITION 71 AND HOW THEY INTERACT WITH EACH OTHER TO
- 17 TAKE A DOLLAR OF BOND PROCEEDS AND WORK THEIR WAY DOWN
- 18 TO HOW THEY GET DIVIDED UP. WE'VE SUMMARIZED THE
- 19 ACTUAL CALCULATION ON PAGE 7 HERE. BASICALLY 3 PERCENT
- 20 OF THE TOTAL PROCEEDS, AND I SHOULD SAY THAT'S UP TO 3
- 21 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL PROCEEDS, MAY BE USED FOR WHAT'S
- 22 CALLED GENERAL ADMINISTRATION. AND THAT'S, YOU KNOW,
- 23 YOUR GENERAL PURPOSE ACTIVITIES, THE OFFICE OF
- 24 ADMINISTRATION, THE MAIN SUPERVISORS, THAT KIND OF
- THING, THE THING THAT MOST ORGANIZATIONS HAVE EXPENSES

- 1 FOR.
- THE NEXT ITEM THAT GETS TAKEN OFF THE TOP IS
- 3 THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH BOND ISSUANCE COSTS AND
- 4 INTEREST. THAT'S THE CAPITALIZED INTEREST FOR THE
- 5 FIRST FIVE YEARS, WHICH IS ALL DEFERRED TO ENSURE THAT
- 6 THE GENERAL FUND DOES NOT HAVE TO DEAL WITH INTEREST
- 7 COSTS UNTIL AFTER FIVE YEARS.
- THE NEXT THING IS THAT UP TO 3 PERCENT OF THE
- 9 PROCEEDS AFTER THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR WHAT WE CALL
- 10 GRANTS MANAGEMENT. AND THIS IS THE SCIENCE PART OF OUR
- 11 OPERATION DEALING WITH THE APPLICATION, REVIEW,
- 12 OVERSIGHT OF ALL OF OUR GRANTS PROGRAMS, AS WELL AS ANY
- 13 OF THE SCIENCE ACTIVITIES THAT WE ENGAGE IN,
- 14 CONFERENCES AND THAT KIND OF THING.
- THE REMAINDER IS THAT AT LEAST 90 PERCENT
- 16 GOES FOR PURE RESEARCH GRANTS. AND THEN THE REMAINDER
- 17 FALLS IN AND IS AVAILABLE TO CONDUCT RESEARCH. NOW, IN
- 18 TAB 8 I'VE GIVEN YOU A SPECIFIC SHOWING OF HOW THIS
- 19 WOULD BE PLAYED OUT SPECIFICALLY FOR THE \$45 MILLION IN
- 20 BAN'S THAT WE EXPECT TO HAVE IMPLEMENTED, ISSUED THIS
- 21 YEAR. AND IN A SENSE, YOU KNOW, ALL OF THE SAME
- 22 REQUIREMENTS TO THAT INTERIM DEBT WILL APPLY TO THE
- 23 BOND FUNDING AS WELL. SO IT'S JUST KIND OF AN EXAMPLE
- 24 SO YOU CAN SEE HOW THESE CALCULATIONS ACTUALLY FLOW
- 25 OUT. BUT I SHOULD ALSO SAY THAT THESE THINGS ARE --

- 1 THE EXAMPLE IS GIVEN AS AN ABSOLUTE, BUT 3 PERCENT IS
- 2 BEING USED FOR PROCEEDS FOR ADMIN WHEN, IN FACT, IT'S
- 3 ONLY UP TO 3 PERCENT. AND OUR ABILITY TO EXPEND THAT
- 4 GOES TO THE BUDGET THAT WE HAVE TO PROVIDE TO THE ICOC
- 5 FOR OUR EXPENDITURES.
- 6 SO, YOU KNOW, WHILE THAT'S LISTED AS KIND OF
- 7 AN ABSOLUTE, THE REAL DECISION ABOUT HOW MUCH OF THIS
- 8 GETS SPENT WILL DEPEND UPON OUR BUDGET THAT WE GIVE TO
- 9 GET APPROVED BY THE ICOC.
- 10 AND THEN I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE GOOD, I TOLD
- 11 YOU WHAT THE SOURCES OF FUNDS WERE FOR THE FIRST YEAR;
- 12 BUT AS A PREVIEW AND WHY I THINK OUR ISSUE WITH REGARD
- 13 TO GILBERT WAS SO IMPORTANT THAT WE GET THAT RESOLVED
- 14 AND MOVE ON, IT IS GOING TO GET A LITTLE MORE
- 15 COMPLICATED IN THE SECOND YEAR. FOR THE YEAR THAT
- 16 ENDED JUNE 30TH, 2006, WE STILL HAVE SOME MONEY LEFT
- 17 OVER FROM THE START-UP LOAN AND THE DOLBY GRANT. WE
- 18 ALSO RECEIVED \$14 MILLION IN BAN'S. AND WE ALSO
- 19 RECEIVED 400,000 IN DONATIONS THAT I MENTIONED EARLIER.
- 20 IT'S GOING TO GET EVEN MORE COMPLICATED,
- 21 ALTHOUGH IN THIS CASE COMPLICATION IS A GOOD THING,
- 22 THAT IN THE CURRENT YEAR, WE STILL HAVE ACTUALLY A
- 23 LITTLE BIT OF MONEY FROM THE START-UP LOAN, THE DOLBY
- 24 GRANT. WE EXPECT TO SELL ANOTHER 31 MILLION IN BAN'S
- 25 OR ACTUALLY THE TREASURER'S OFFICE WILL SELL THE \$31

- 1 MILLION IN BAN'S. WE ARE HOPING TO ACTUALLY CLOSE THAT
- THIS MONTH AND ACTUALLY BE ABLE TO HAVE ACCESS TO THAT
- 3 MONEY.
- 4 AND YOU PROBABLY HAVE ALL HEARD ABOUT THE
- 5 \$150 MILLION LOAN FROM THE GENERAL FUND THAT THE
- 6 GOVERNOR AUTHORIZED. THIS WILL ACTUALLY REQUIRE A
- 7 MEETING OF THE FINANCING COMMITTEE, AND I KNOW THAT
- 8 THAT IS BEING SET UP AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE. MY
- 9 EXPECTATION IS THAT IT PROBABLY WILL BE SET UP SOMETIME
- 10 IN EARLY OCTOBER, AND THEN WE WILL BE ABLE TO HAVE
- 11 ACCESS TO THAT FUNDING.
- 12 IN ADDITION, WE'RE EXPECTING SOME MORE
- 13 DONATIONS. THERE WAS A FUND-RAISING GALA HELD IN SAN
- 14 FRANCISCO BY THE SAN FRANCISCO COMMUNITY FOUNDATION,
- 15 AND WE'RE EXPECTING TO GET SOME PROCEEDS FROM THAT.
- 16 AND WE ACTUALLY HAVE TWO STOCK DONATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN
- 17 PROMISED TO US, AND THE SALE OF THAT WILL BRING IN SOME
- 18 MORE MONEY AS WELL. SO THOSE ARE OUR FUNDING SOURCES.
- 19 THE ONLY THING ABOUT THE \$150 MILLION LOAN
- 20 THAT I THOUGHT YOU SHOULD KNOW IS THAT THIS WILL ALSO
- 21 BE SUBJECT TO THE SAME SPENDING LIMITATIONS THAT THE
- 22 BONDS WILL WITH REGARD TO THE LIMITS ON ADMINISTRATIVE
- 23 EXPENSES, SO WE HAVE TO COMPLY WITH THAT. AND
- OBVIOUSLY, SINCE IT'S NOT A BOND OR A BAN, THERE'S NO
- 25 ISSUANCE COST. AND THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE HAS INDICATED

- 1 THAT THEY WOULD PREFER THAT THIS MONEY NOT BE USED FOR
- 2 BUILDING CONSTRUCTION, WHICH IS UNDER THE FACILITIES
- 3 COMPONENT THAT WE PROVIDE.
- 4 SO WE'RE READY TO SEE HOW BASICALLY WE USE
- 5 ALL OF THIS RESOURCES AND THINGS LIKE THAT IN CARRYING
- 6 OUT OUR OPERATIONS FOR OPERATIONS AS WELL AS GRANT
- 7 PROGRAMS. AND SO THE NEXT SLIDES ARE GOING TO TALK
- 8 ABOUT THE SPECIFICS OF OUR OPERATING COST PROGRAM. AND
- 9 THEN WE'LL TALK ABOUT THE GRANTS PROGRAM, AND AT THAT
- 10 POINT IT WILL BE YOUR TURN TO ASK ANY QUESTIONS THAT I
- 11 CAN HOPEFULLY ANSWER FOR YOU.
- 12 FIRST OFF, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER
- 13 OF ALL THIS MONEY, WHAT CAN BE USED FOR OPERATING
- 14 COSTS? WELL, FOR BAN'S AND FOR GENERAL FUND LOANS,
- 15 KEEP IN MIND THAT AT SOME POINT IN TIME, THIS IS GOING
- 16 TO BE PAID OFF BY BOND MONEY. SO WE ARE PLEDGED TO USE
- 17 THIS MONEY IN THE SAME WAY THAT WE WOULD USE BOND
- 18 MONIES. AND THAT MEANS MAKING SURE THAT WE KEEP TRACK
- 19 OF WHICH COSTS ARE GENERAL ADMINISTRATION, WHICH COSTS
- 20 ARE GRANTS MANAGEMENT, WHICH COSTS ARE RESEARCH GRANTS
- 21 SO THAT WHEN THE BONDS ACTUALLY ARE PAID OFF, ALL OF
- 22 OUR ACCOUNTING IS ALREADY SET UP IN THE PROPER PLACE
- 23 FOR THE BONDS. SO ESSENTIALLY THE BAN'S AND ALL
- 24 GENERAL FUND LOANS ARE AVAILABLE TO FUND THOSE COSTS.
- THERE IS ONE KIND OF UNIQUE ISSUE HERE, AND I

- 1 MENTIONED IT UNDER RESEARCH GRANTS, THAT BASICALLY
- THERE'S A PROVISION IN THE PROPOSITION 71, AND I'VE
- 3 INCLUDED A COPY OF IT AS TAB 10, WHICH INDICATES THAT
- 4 OUR LEGAL COSTS ARE TO BE PAID FROM RESEARCH FUNDING.
- 5 IT'S A PROVISION THAT WAS PUT IN PLACE TO TRY AND HELP
- 6 US DEAL WITH WHAT WE EXPECTED WOULD BE A LARGE LEGAL
- 7 CHALLENGE TO US, AND IT HAS, IN FACT, PROVED TO BE VERY
- 8 HELPFUL IN MAKING SURE THAT WE CAN BOTH MEET THAT LEGAL
- 9 CHALLENGE AS WELL AS TAKE CARE OF OUR OPERATING COSTS.
- 10 WE ALSO HAVE ACCESS TO THE DOLBY MONEY, WHICH
- 11 IS SUPPOSED TO BE USED FOR OPERATING COSTS. THERE ARE
- 12 SOME LIMITS. I DID ACTUALLY PUT UNDER TAB 11 A COPY OF
- 13 THE DOLBY GRANT, THE MATERIALS ASSOCIATED WITH IT,
- 14 WHICH ARE VERY EQUIVALENT TO ALL THE TYPES OF DOCUMENTS
- 15 THAT WE HAVE FOR ALL OF OUR GIFTS OR DONATIONS THAT ARE
- 16 RECEIVED.
- 17 WITH REGARD TO OTHER DONATIONS, GENERALLY THE
- 18 400,000 I MENTIONED EARLIER, GENERALLY YOU CAN USE
- 19 THESE FOR PRETTY MUCH ANY COST THAT YOU WANT; HOWEVER,
- 20 WE HAVE AGREED TO DIRECT THESE FUNDS TO FURTHER OUR
- 21 SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM. AND, IN FACT, THEY ARE BASICALLY
- 22 BEING USED TO FUND THE STRATEGIC PLAN EFFORT THAT'S
- 23 REQUIRED TO LAY OUT THE EXPECTATIONS FOR OUR GRANT
- 24 PROGRAM OVER THE LIFE OF THE INSTITUTE.
- 25 WITH REGARD TO ACCOUNTING AND BUDGETING.

- 1 WE'VE ACTUALLY SET UP, THROUGH THE ACCOUNTING OFFICE OF
- THE CONTROLLER'S, AN ACCOUNTING SYSTEM THAT CODES ALL
- 3 EXPENDITURES IN THREE CATEGORIES. ONE IS BY COST
- 4 CENTER, AND TAB 12 GIVES YOU A DESCRIPTION OF THE FOUR
- 5 COST CENTERS THAT CIRM HAS IN ITS OPERATION. WE MAKE
- 6 THIS CATEGORIZATION TO ENSURE THAT EACH OF THE CENTERS
- 7 UNDERSTANDS THAT IT'S RESPONSIBLE AND ACCOUNTABLE FOR
- 8 THEIR OWN EXPENDITURES. AND BY CHARGING THE
- 9 EXPENDITURES THAT THEY AUTHORIZE TO THEM AND LAYING IT
- 10 OUT FOR THEM, IT ENSURES THAT WE HAVE THAT
- 11 ACCOUNTABILITY.
- 12 IN ADDITION, THE COSTS GET ALLOCATED BY TYPE
- 13 OF COST. I'VE GIVEN YOU A COPY OF THE CHART OF
- 14 ACCOUNTS IN TAB 13 THAT LAYS OUT ALL OF VARIOUS TYPES
- 15 OF EXPENDITURES THAT WE HAVE, PARTICULARLY THE ONES
- 16 THAT ARE UNIQUE TO US, SUCH AS THE ICOC MEETINGS, THE
- 17 WORK GROUP MEETINGS, SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCES, AND THINGS
- 18 LIKE THAT THAT WE'RE INVOLVED IN.
- 19 AND FINALLY BY FUND SOURCE. AND I'VE GIVEN
- 20 YOU A COPY OF OUR CODING DOCUMENT, WHICH ACTUALLY
- 21 INCLUDES A BREAKDOWN OF THE VARIOUS FUNDS THAT ARE
- 22 AVAILABLE SO THAT WHEN WE SUBMIT THIS FOR THE
- 23 ACCOUNTING OFFICE, IT TELLS THEM WHERE TO DEAL WITH
- 24 EACH OF THESE THREE CATEGORIES.
- THERE'S A MONTHLY REPORT THAT TRACKS

- 1 EXPENDITURES BY THESE THREE CATEGORIES AND AGAINST THE
- 2 BUDGET THAT'S APPROVED BY THE ICOC.
- 3 AND IN TAB 15 I'VE GIVEN YOU A COPY OF THE
- 4 END-OF-YEAR REPORT FOR THE YEAR THAT ENDED JUNE 30TH OF
- 5 2006 SO THAT YOU CAN GET A SENSE OF HOW MUCH
- 6 INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE IN THAT REPORT.
- 7 AND THEN THE BUDGET ITSELF IS APPROVED BY THE
- 8 ICOC. AND IN TAB 16 I'VE GIVEN YOU A COPY OF THE
- 9 BUDGET THAT HAS RECENTLY BEEN APPROVED FOR THE CURRENT
- 10 YEAR BY THE ICOC FOR OUR OPERATIONS.
- 11 WITH REGARD TO MONITORING AND MAKING SURE
- 12 THAT THE PAYMENTS THAT WE AUTHORIZE ARE APPROPRIATE,
- 13 LIKE, AGAIN, MOST OTHER STATE AGENCIES, I SAY THAT A
- 14 LOT, BUT IT GOES BACK TO MY OWN EXPERIENCES IN MANY
- 15 STATE AGENCIES WITH CALIFORNIA, WE HAVE A SEPARATION OF
- 16 RESPONSIBILITIES. THAT'S THE FIRST RULE OF ANY
- 17 INTERNAL ACCOUNTABILITY PROGRAM. WE HAVE WRITTEN
- 18 DELEGATIONS OF AUTHORITY. DURING THE EARLY DAYS OF
- 19 THIS OPERATION, THE ONLY PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO APPROVE
- 20 EXPENDITURES WERE THE PRESIDENT AND THE CHIEF
- 21 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER. AS WE'RE GROWING, WE'RE NOW
- 22 EXPANDING THAT COST DELEGATION SO THAT THE COST CENTERS
- 23 ARE NOW AGAIN MORE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING DECISIONS ON
- 24 THEIR OWN.
- 25 AND THERE'S A DOUBLE APPROVAL OF ALL

- 1 EXPENDITURES, AND I SHOWED YOU IN TAB 8 A COPY OF THE
- 2 STAMP THAT IS NEAR AND DEAR TO EVERY STATE EMPLOYEE
- 3 WHO'S EVER HAD TO APPLY AND APPROVE AN EXPENDITURE. IN
- 4 ONE WAY OR ANOTHER THIS STAMP IS ON EVERY EXPENDITURE
- 5 THAT WE MAKE. SOMEBODY HAS TO APPROVE THE RECEIPT OF
- 6 THE GOODS AND SERVICES, AND A SECOND PERSON, USUALLY
- 7 THAT PERSON'S SUPERVISOR, HAS TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF
- 8 THE EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THAT.
- 9 IN ADDITION, THE MONTHLY REPORT THAT I
- 10 MENTIONED EARLIER BASICALLY GIVES THE SENIOR MANAGEMENT
- 11 STAFF THE INFORMATION THAT THEY NEED TO TRACK
- 12 EXPENDITURES IN THEIR OWN SHOP AND BE SURE THAT THEY'RE
- 13 OPERATING PROPERLY.
- 14 SO THAT'S OUR OPERATIONS. AND OBVIOUSLY I
- 15 SPENT A LOT OF TIME ON IT BECAUSE, TO A CERTAIN EXTENT,
- 16 THAT'S THE ONLY THING THAT'S INCLUDED IN THE FIRST
- 17 AUDIT THAT YOU HAVE. THE SECOND AUDIT OBVIOUSLY WILL
- 18 INCLUDE GRANTS. AND I'M SURE YOU'RE INTERESTED IN WHAT
- 19 ARE WE DOING IN THE SAME AREAS WITH REGARD TO GRANTS.
- 20 AND SO I'M GIVING YOU THAT INFORMATION EVEN THOUGH YOU
- 21 DON'T REALLY HAVE ANY GRANT PROGRAMS NECESSARILY IN
- 22 FRONT OF YOU WITH REGARD TO THE AUDIT THAT WE TALKED
- 23 ABOUT EARLIER, BUT I THINK IT'S A GOOD WAY TO KIND OF
- 24 GET YOU PREPARED FOR THE NEXT AUDIT THAT YOU ARE GOING
- 25 TO GET SHORTLY TO UNDERSTAND THAT.

- 1 THE FUNDING SOURCES THAT WE HAVE CURRENTLY
- 2 FOR GRANT PROGRAMS ARE REALLY TWO. THERE'S THE BAN
- 3 MONEY AFTER WE TAKE OFF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AND
- 4 THE \$150 MILLION LOAN. THAT'S HOW WE'RE GOING TO PAY
- 5 FOR OUR PROGRAMS.
- 6 WITH REGARD TO ACCOUNTING AND BUDGETING, THE
- 7 BUDGET IS ACTUALLY GOING TO BE TIED TO THE SCIENTIFIC
- 8 STRATEGIC PLAN THAT IS CURRENTLY IN DEVELOPMENT. AND
- 9 IN TAB 19 I'VE GIVEN YOU A COPY OF THE PLAN THAT DEALS
- 10 WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THAT PLAN, WHICH INCLUDES 13
- 11 PUBLIC MEETINGS TO GATHER AND REVIEW INPUT ON THIS
- 12 PLAN. THE SCIENTIFIC STRATEGIC PLAN WILL DEAL WITH NOT
- ONLY JUST THE TYPES OF PROGRAMS THAT ARE TO BE
- 14 CONSIDERED FOR FUNDING OVER THE LIFE OF THE INSTITUTE,
- 15 BUT IT WILL ALSO TRY TO INDICATE HOW MUCH MONEY IS
- 16 AVAILABLE AND WHEN IT SHOULD BE SPENT AND HOW IT WOULD
- 17 BE SPENT AND THAT AS WELL. SO IT DOES HAVE A FINANCIAL
- 18 ASPECT TO IT.
- 19 IN THE MEANTIME WE HAVE ACTUALLY ISSUED
- 20 GRANTS LAST YEAR, AS STEVE MENTIONED EARLIER. AND
- 21 ESSENTIALLY, EVEN THOUGH WE DIDN'T HAVE A STRATEGIC
- 22 PLAN IN PLACE AT THAT POINT, WE WENT THROUGH THE SAME
- 23 PROCESS OF APPROVAL THAT WE WILL GO THROUGH FOR THE
- 24 STRATEGIC PLAN, WHICH IS THAT WE IDENTIFIED EARLY ON
- 25 THE NEED TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS GRADUATING

- 1 FROM CALIFORNIA EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS THAT ARE
- 2 QUALIFIED TO ENGAGE IN STEM CELL RESEARCH SO THAT WHEN
- 3 THE GRANTS GO OUT, WE HAVE PEOPLE THERE WHO CAN
- 4 ACTUALLY WORK ON THE PROGRAMS.
- 5 I SHOULD SAY THAT IT APPEARS THAT THIS NEED
- 6 IS PRETTY MUCH BEING VERIFIED BY THE DATA THAT WE'VE
- 7 RECEIVED TO DATE THROUGH THE MEETINGS THAT WE'VE HAD ON
- 8 THE STRATEGIC PLAN. ESSENTIALLY THE ICOC RECOGNIZED
- 9 THAT AND APPROVED IT. IN FACT, THEY APPROVED THAT
- 10 PART, FIRST STEP ON THE STRATEGIC PLAN, BY APPROVING
- 11 THAT. THEY APPROVED A BUDGET FOR CIRM TO RELEASE AN
- 12 RFP FOR A TRAINING GRANT PROGRAM. THE ICOC THEN
- 13 APPROVED THE FUNDING FOR THE 16 GRANTEE INSTITUTIONS
- 14 THAT THE CONTROLLER MENTIONED EARLIER. AND AFTER THE
- 15 FUNDS FROM THE \$14 MILLION BAN SALE, THE FIRST YEAR OF
- 16 FUNDING WAS ISSUED TO THESE GRANTEES.
- 17 IN TAB 20 IT CONTAINS A COPY OF THE DOCUMENT
- 18 THAT WE SUBMITTED TO THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE REQUESTING
- 19 PAYMENT. AND YOU WILL NOTICE THAT IT HAS THE SAME
- 20 DOUBLE SIGNATURE. DR. ARLENE CHIU SIGNED OFF
- 21 INDICATING THAT THIS WAS APPROPRIATE AND READY TO BE
- 22 PAID. I SIGNED OFF AS THE AUTHORIZATION OF PAYMENT.
- 23 AND YOU ALSO SEE THE ACCOUNTING OFFICE SIGNING OFF,
- 24 SAYING THAT THE WARRANTS HAVE BEEN ISSUED AND WHEN. SO
- 25 THE SAME TYPE OF ACTIVITY CONTROL THERE.

- 1 AND THEN OUR ACCOUNTING SYSTEM ACTUALLY
- 2 TRACKS THE GRANT PAYMENTS TO EACH GRANTEE INSTITUTION
- 3 AND TO EACH GRANT SO THAT OUR ACCOUNTING SYSTEM WILL
- 4 SHOW HOW MUCH MONEY HAS BEEN SENT, FOR INSTANCE, TO THE
- 5 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SAN FRANCISCO AND THIS
- 6 AMOUNT WAS SENT FOR A TRAINING GRANT, THIS AMOUNT WAS
- 7 SENT FOR THAT, AND THIS AMOUNT WAS SENT FOR THAT. SO
- 8 WE HAVE A WAY OF TRACKING THAT.
- 9 WITH REGARD TO FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, THAT
- 10 EACH GRANTEE IS BASICALLY ISSUED OR APPROVED GRANTEE, I
- 11 SHOULD SAY, IS ISSUED A NOTICE OF GRANT AWARD. AND
- 12 THIS GRANT AWARD CONTAINS THE TERMS, INCLUDING
- 13 COMPLIANCE WITH ALL PROVISIONS OF WHAT'S CALLED THE
- 14 GRANTS ADMINISTRATION POLICY OR THE GAP, ANY CONDITIONS
- 15 OF THE AWARD, AND A PROPOSED PAYMENT SCHEDULE. AND I
- 16 DO HAVE AN EXAMPLE OF ONE OF THOSE NGA'S ATTACHED UNDER
- 17 TAB 20 TO THE DOCUMENT THAT WE SENT TO THE CONTROLLER'S
- 18 OFFICE FOR PAYMENT.
- 19 I SHOULD SAY THE GAP ACTUALLY CONTAINS
- 20 EXTENSIVE FINANCIAL PROVISIONS TO ENSURE THAT ALL
- 21 EXPENDITURES ARE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS
- 22 IN THE GRANT AWARD, THE APPROVED BUDGET, THE GAP
- 23 ITSELF, AND THE TERMS OF THE NOTICE OF GRANT AWARD.
- NOW, I SHOULD SAY GAP WAS DEVELOPED USING
- 25 INPUT FROM A VARIETY OF SOURCES, AND CERTAINLY ONE OF

- 1 THOSE INPUTS THAT WAS USED EXTENSIVELY WAS THE INPUT
- 2 THAT WE RECEIVED FROM THE CONTROLLER AT ONE OF THE
- 3 EARLY MEETINGS INDICATING A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT SOURCES
- 4 OF PLACES THAT WE SHOULD LOOK AT TO TRY AND FIND, YOU
- 5 KNOW, INFORMATION THAT WE COULD USE FOR CONTROLLING OUR
- 6 EXPENDITURES. SO WE REALLY APPRECIATE THAT. THAT WAS
- 7 A GOOD FIRST START FOR US.
- 8 GAP ALSO CONTAINS SEVERAL SANCTIONS THAT CAN
- 9 BE IMPOSED FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY, ANYTHING FROM, YOU
- 10 KNOW, A REQUEST THAT, INSTEAD OF GETTING ADVANCES, THAT
- 11 THEY ONLY GET REIMBURSEMENTS ALL THE UP TO CANCELING
- 12 THE GRANT AWARD AND ALSO REFERRAL TO THE ATTORNEY
- 13 GENERAL'S OFFICE FOR ANY INSTANCES OF FRAUD THAT WE
- 14 FIND THROUGH OUR PROCESS.
- 15 AFTER THE SIGNATURE OF THE GRANT AWARD BY THE
- 16 GRANTEE, THEN THE FIRST PAYMENT IS ISSUED TO THEM FOR
- 17 THE FIRST YEAR. AS IT HAPPENS IN THE TRAINING GRANTS,
- 18 THESE ARE THREE-YEAR GRANTS, SO THE FIRST YEAR HAS BEEN
- 19 ISSUED. AND THEN ANNUAL AWARDS ARE MADE IN THREE
- 20 SEPARATE PAYMENTS. NOW, I SHOULD SAY THAT THE TAB 22,
- 21 WHICH SHOWS THE PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR THE TRAINING
- 22 GRANTS AWARD, SHOW THAT THE FIRST YEAR OF PAYMENTS,
- 23 INSTEAD OF DOING THREE PAYMENTS PER YEAR, WE ACTUALLY
- 24 SUBMITTED THE ENTIRE PAYMENT AT ONCE RIGHT AFTER WE
- 25 WERE ABLE TO GET THE FUNDING FOR IT. WE DID THAT

- 1 BECAUSE, IN ALL HONESTY, WE WERE WORRIED ABOUT POSSIBLE
- 2 LITIGATION THAT MIGHT BE FILED TO HOLD UP THE SECOND
- 3 PAYMENT. AND IT SEEMED LIKE IF WE SENT THE FIRST
- 4 PAYMENT OUT AND THEN THE SECOND PAYMENT GOT HELD UP OR
- 5 DELAYED, THEN WE WERE JUST SORT OF WASTING EVERYBODY'S
- 6 MONEY BECAUSE THE UNIVERSITIES AND PEOPLE WOULD BE A
- 7 LITTLE BIT RELUCTANT TO SPEND PART OF IT AND NOT BE
- 8 ABLE TO -- BE DELAYED IN ALL OF THAT. SO IT'S NOT
- 9 SOMETHING WE NECESSARILY LIKE TO DO OR WANT TO DO, AND
- 10 CERTAINLY OUR COMMITMENT IS TO GO WITH THE PROCESS THAT
- 11 WE HAVE LAID OUT IN THIS DOCUMENT, WHICH IS TO HAVE
- 12 THREE SEPARATE PAYMENTS DURING THE YEAR TO MAKE SURE
- 13 THAT WE ARE HOLDING ON TO FUNDS THAT AREN'T REALLY
- 14 NECESSARY TO BE USED.
- 15 WITH REGARD TO MONITORING, THE GAP DOES
- 16 REQUIRE TWO SEPARATE ANNUAL REPORTS. THERE'S ONE TO
- 17 TRACK THE PROGRAM PROGRESS, AND THEN THERE'S ANOTHER TO
- 18 TRACK THE STATUS OF FINANCIAL EXPENDITURES. IN
- 19 ADDITION, IT PROVIDES FOR FOLLOW-UPS, INCLUDING ON-SITE
- 20 REVIEWS, TO BE SCHEDULED WHENEVER DEEMED NECESSARY TO
- 21 DO SO. FOR THE TRAINING GRANT PROGRAM, WE ACTUALLY
- 22 HAVE THREE ADDITIONAL OVERSIGHT THINGS THAT WE'VE PUT
- 23 IN PLACE. ONE IS A TRAINEE APPOINTMENT FORM, AND
- 24 THAT'S IN TAB 23, A COPY OF THAT. AND WHAT THIS DOES
- 25 IS THAT AS THEY APPOINT SCHOLARS TO THE PROGRAM, THE

- 1 UNIVERSITIES ARE SUPPOSED TO SEND US THIS FORM SO THAT
- 2 WE KNOW THAT THEY ARE MEETING THEIR COMMITMENT TO PUT A
- 3 CERTAIN NUMBER OF PEOPLE INTO THESE PROGRAMS. SO WHILE
- 4 WE WON'T GET INTO WHO THEY SELECT, WE CAN AT LEAST BE
- 5 ASSURED THAT THEY'RE ACTUALLY MOVING ALONG AND GETTING
- 6 THE RIGHT LEVEL OF STUDENTS INTO THEIR PROGRAM ON A
- 7 TIMELY BASIS.
- 8 IN ADDITION, WE HAVE HAD A MEETING OF ALL THE
- 9 GRANTEE INSTITUTIONS WHICH HAS BEEN HELD FOR ORAL
- 10 PRESENTATIONS FROM THEM ABOUT THEIR PROGRESS AND
- 11 RECRUITMENT OF TRAINEES AND TO REVIEW THE REQUIREMENTS,
- ONCE AGAIN, ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS, AND ALSO TO ENCOURAGE
- 13 COLLABORATION. AND WE AGREE WITH YOU, MR. WESTLY, THAT
- 14 COLLABORATION IS THE HEART AND SOUL OF A LOT OF WHAT
- 15 WE'RE GOING TO BE DOING HERE. SO IT'S ONE OF THE
- 16 THINGS, PARTICULARLY IN THIS AREA, WE'RE EMPHASIZING.
- 17 IN ADDITION, WE ALSO INTEND TO HAVE AN ANNUAL
- 18 WHAT WE CALL CIRM SCHOLARS MEETING TO ENCOURAGE
- 19 COLLABORATION BETWEEN THEM, NOT JUST THE INSTITUTIONS,
- 20 BUT BETWEEN THESE UP-AND-COMING SCIENTISTS AND TO
- 21 ASSESS THEIR INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP PERSPECTIVES ABOUT
- THEIR PROGRAMS AND THE PROGRAM AS A WHOLE.
- 23 SO ESSENTIALLY WE HAVE THE INSTITUTION GIVING
- 24 THEIR PERSPECTIVE AND THE SCHOLARS GIVING THEIR
- 25 PERSPECTIVE, AND WE BELIEVE THE TWO OF THOSE TOGETHER

- 1 GIVE THE KIND OF INFORMATION WITH ALL THE REST OF THAT.
- 2 THIS IS THE EXTENT OF OUR MONITORING PROGRAM FOR THE
- 3 TRAINING GRANTS. HOWEVER, I THINK WE ALL RECOGNIZE
- 4 THAT A MORE EXTENSIVE MONITORING EFFORT IS GOING TO BE
- 5 NEEDED FOR FUTURE RESEARCH GRANTS.
- 6 AND THAT GETS ME TO MY LAST PAGE, WHICH IS
- 7 THAT WE HAVE SOME THINGS THAT ARE IN PROGRESS.
- 8 CERTAINLY THE ONE MAJOR THING IN PROCESS IS TO DEVELOP
- 9 A MONITORING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR ALL OF OUR
- 10 GRANTS PROGRAMS. AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, AGAIN, ONE
- 11 SOURCE OF IDEAS FOR THAT IS, AGAIN, SOME
- 12 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CONTROLLER AT THE ICOC MEETING
- 13 THAT HE ATTENDED. BUT A KEY PART OF THIS IS ACTUALLY
- 14 AN AUTOMATED GRANTS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM. AND THE GRANTS
- 15 MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WILL BASICALLY ALLOW US TO TRACK
- 16 GRANT PROGRAMS ALL THE WAY FROM APPLICATION OR LETTER
- 17 OF INTENT, APPLICATION, ALL THE WAY THROUGH AWARD AND
- 18 REPORTS, AND WILL ALLOW US TO BASICALLY PRODUCE ANY
- 19 KIND OF REPORTS THAT WE WANT, YOU KNOW, BY GRANTEE, BY
- 20 PROGRAM, AND BY, YOU KNOW, THE AGENCY'S OVERALL
- 21 PROGRAMS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS.
- 22 WE'VE ACTUALLY SELECTED A VENDOR OR A
- 23 PROGRAM, I SHOULD SAY, CALLED EASY GRANTS, WHICH IS
- 24 ACTUALLY UTILIZED -- IT'S AN OFF-THE-COUNTER TYPE OF
- 25 PROGRAM WHICH IS ACTUALLY UTILIZED BY A NUMBER OF

- 1 GRANTEE AGENCIES. IT IS ADAPTABLE SO THAT WE CAN MAKE
- 2 SURE THAT IT APPLIES AND TAKES CARE OF OUR PROGRAMS.
- 3 WE HOPE TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THAT UP AND OPERATING
- 4 SOMETIME IN OCTOBER, AND THAT WILL THEN ALLOW US TO
- 5 INPUT ALL OF THE DATA THAT WE GET FROM THE NEXT ROUND
- 6 OF GRANTS THAT WE'RE INVOLVED IN RIGHT NOW AND USE THAT
- 7 IN OUR MONITORING PROGRAM. WE THINK THIS IS REALLY KEY
- 8 TO OUR PROGRAM.
- 9 WITH THAT, THAT'S THE END OF MY PRESENTATION,
- 10 AND I'M AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE.
- 11 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: TERRIFIC. WHAT I'D LIKE TO
- 12 DO HERE IS TO, FIRST, THANK WALTER BARNES FOR A
- 13 THOROUGH, EXHAUSTIVE REPORT. YOU'VE DONE A SUPER JOB.
- 14 (APPLAUSE.)
- 15 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: ITEM 5 IS RELATED TO A KEY
- 16 PART OF THE MEETING TODAY. WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS ASK
- 17 THE BOARD'S INDULGENCE TO TAKE QUESTIONS AND COMMENT
- 18 FROM THE PUBLIC FIRST. THERE ARE TWO MEMBERS OF THE
- 19 PUBLIC WHO HAVE ASKED TO SPEAK. THEN WHAT I'D LIKE TO
- 20 DO IS GIVE YOU A CHANCE TO ASK ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU
- 21 MIGHT HAVE. AT THAT POINT, THOUGH, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK
- 22 FOR A FORMAL MOTION TO APPROVE THE TWO RECOMMENDATIONS
- FROM GILBERT & ASSOCIATES AS WELL AS THE THREE
- 24 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CONTROLLER'S STAFF, THAT WE
- 25 APPROVE THOSE FIVE RECOMMENDATIONS AS PART OF THE

- 1 CONTINUED OPERATING PROCEDURES.
- 2 WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO THEN IS JUST TAKE A BRIEF
- 3 TEN-MINUTE BREAK, GIVE PEOPLE A CHANCE TO USE THE
- 4 RESTROOM, COME BACK, AND WE'LL FINISH ITEMS 6, 7, AND 8
- 5 FAIRLY QUICKLY AFTER 11. I THINK WE CAN STILL GET DONE
- 6 BY NOON. WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO HERE, IF YOU WILL ALLOW
- 7 ME, IS TO ASK TWO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO COME
- 8 FORWARD. MR. JOHN SIMPSON AND, BOB KLEIN, IF YOU WOULD
- 9 BE WILLING TO BE ON DECK. MR. SIMPSON, IF YOU COULD
- 10 PLEASE IDENTIFY YOURSELF, AND I DO WANT TO REMIND YOU
- 11 YOU HAVE A THREE-MINUTE LIMIT.
- 12 MR. SIMPSON: JOHN SIMPSON FROM THE
- 13 FOUNDATION FOR TAXPAYER AND CONSUMER RIGHTS. I JUST
- 14 WANTED TO SPEAK VERY QUICKLY. WE WERE AMONG THOSE WHO
- 15 WERE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE FLAK WITH THE GILBERT
- 16 ASSOCIATES. AND WE'RE DELIGHTED TO SEE THAT YOU STUCK
- 17 BY YOUR GUNS AND DID THE RIGHT THING.
- 18 THERE WAS ONE LITTLE HOUSEKEEPING POINT THAT
- 19 I WANTED TO MENTION. FOR SOME REASON OR ANOTHER, THE
- 20 CONTROLLER'S REVIEW THAT GOT POSTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH
- 21 THIS MEETING ON YOUR WEBSITE DID NOT INCLUDE THE LETTER
- 22 EXPLAINING THE DIFFICULTIES. AND I'M DELIGHTED TO BE
- 23 ABLE TO REPORT THAT WHEN I POINTED THAT OUT TO STAFF,
- 24 IT WAS QUICKLY MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC. THAT'S
- THE KIND OF RESPONSIVENESS THAT IS A VERY GOOD THING,

- 1 AND WE APPRECIATE THAT.
- 2 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, MR. SIMPSON. WE
- 3 WORK HARD TO ACCOMMODATE CONCERNS. EVERY NOW AND THEN
- 4 WE DO MISS SOMETHING, BUT WE TRY TO MOVE AS QUICKLY AS
- 5 WE CAN TO FIX IT.
- 6 MR. SIMPSON: THAT WAS GOOD TO SEE.
- 7 AND THE FINAL THING, I JUST WANTED TO MAKE
- 8 NOTE OF, I UNDERSTAND, I BELIEVE, THAT WALTER BARNES IS
- 9 RETIRING TOMORROW. AND IT IS THE CASE THAT THE
- 10 PROCEDURES THAT HAVE BEEN PUT IN PLACE THAT MAKE THIS
- 11 STATE AGENCY ACT LIKE A STATE AGENCY ARE VERY MUCH DUE
- 12 TO HIS HARD, HARD DEDICATED WORK. AND I WANTED TO
- 13 PUBLICLY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT, AND I WANTED TO SORT OF SAY
- 14 THAT FOLKS LIKE ME, WHO WATCHDOG THIS AGENCY,
- 15 APPRECIATE EVERYTHING HE'S DONE AND HIS SERVICE. AND
- 16 IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE TO WORK WITH HIM.
- 17 (APPLAUSE.)
- 18 MR. LOTT: MR. BARNES, I WAS GOING TO COMMENT
- 19 LATER. I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE RETIRING TOMORROW.
- MR. BARNES: ACTUALLY TOMORROW IS MY LAST
- 21 ACTIVE DAY, BUT I HAVE SOME VACATION THAT I'M GOING TO
- 22 BE RUNNING OUT.
- 23 MR. LOTT: SPECIFYING WHAT THEY'RE DOING.
- 24 THIS WAS ONE OF THE MOST COGENT, RELEVANT, AND
- 25 IMPORTANT PIECES OF DOCUMENTATION THAT WE COULD HAVE

- 1 RECEIVED. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THAT. I THINK IT
- 2 WAS AN EXTREMELY FANTASTIC JOB YOU DID IN MAKING US,
- 3 WHO ARE UNEDUCATED ABOUT ALL WHAT'S GOING ON, YOU
- 4 PRESENTED IT IN A VERY COGENT AND VERY UNDERSTANDABLE
- 5 WAY. AND I'M SORRY YOU'RE LEAVING. I APPRECIATE WHAT
- 6 YOU DID FOR US UP TO NOW.
- 7 MR. BARNES: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I SHOULD
- 8 SAY THAT I'VE BEEN VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE EXCELLENT
- 9 COOPERATION BY EVERYBODY WHO'S BEEN HIRED IN CIRM. AND
- 10 AGAIN, I SHOUT OUT TO THE ACCOUNTING OFFICE AT THE
- 11 CONTROLLER'S OFFICE FOR THEIR ONGOING SUPPORT AND
- 12 ASSISTANCE AND LITTLE BIT OF OVERSIGHT AS WELL TO MAKE
- 13 SURE THAT WE'RE DOING ALL THE RIGHT THINGS.
- 14 MR. LOTT: THERE'S SOMETHING THAT SAYS THAT
- 15 THIS IS MORE IMPORTANT TO YOU THAN JUST A JOB.
- MR. BARNES: THIS IS A -- THERE ARE PERSONAL
- 17 ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH WHY I WANTED TO BE A PART OF
- 18 THIS.
- 19 MR. LOTT: I GOT THAT. I GOT THAT. YOU KNOW
- 20 WHAT, YOU KNOW, THAT'S WHAT WE NEED.
- MR. BARNES: THANK YOU.
- MR. LOTT: WE'RE GOING TO MISS YOU.
- MR. BARNES: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- MR. LOTT: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
- 25 SERVICE.

- 1 MR. BARNES: I'M GOING TO MISS THIS TOO.
- 2 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: WE'RE GOING TO PROVIDE
- 3 FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO MR. BARNES LATER IN THE
- 4 MEETING. MR. KLEIN.
- 5 MR. KLEIN: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. FIRST
- 6 OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO THANK THE CHAIRMAN AND ALL THE
- 7 DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THIS PANEL. IT'S
- 8 UNPRECEDENTED IN THE HISTORY OF THE STATE TO HAVE AN
- 9 INDEPENDENT COMMITTEE THAT OVERSEAS THE FINANCIAL
- 10 PERFORMANCE AND THE DELIVERY OF THE PROMISE OF ANY
- 11 AGENCY FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. SO
- 12 THIS OVERSIGHT IS WELCOMED AND IT IS TREMENDOUS.
- 13 I WOULD SAY THAT OUR MAXIM, ONE OF OUR MAXIMS
- 14 AT THE AGENCY IS, OF WHICH I AM CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD,
- 15 LEARN EVERY DAY, IMPROVE EVERY DAY. AND WHILE WE'RE
- 16 VERY PROUD OF OUR RECORD, AND WE ARE EXTREMELY THANKFUL
- 17 FOR WALTER'S DEDICATION AND PASSION FOR HIS MISSION, WE
- 18 INTEND TO LEARN IN THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR, WHICH WE HOPE
- 19 WE'LL HAVE A MEETING OF YOUR BOARD TO OVERSEE VERY
- 20 SOON, BEFORE THE END OF THIS YEAR, WE HOPE TO DO
- 21 BETTER. AND WE HAVE TAKEN STEPS, AS WALTER INDICATED,
- 22 TO MAKE SURE WE DO BETTER AND REACH HIGHER AND HIGHER
- 23 STANDARDS.
- 24 I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO THANK THE CONTROLLER
- 25 SPECIFICALLY BECAUSE DECEMBER 17TH, THE DAY I WAS

- 1 ELECTED BY THE 29 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AS CHAIRMAN, THE
- 2 CONTROLLER OFFERED THE ASSISTANCE OF HIS OFFICE TO LEAD
- 3 US THROUGH THE ACCOUNTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY AND
- 4 TRANSPARENCY REQUIREMENTS OF PUBLIC AGENCIES IN
- 5 CALIFORNIA. IT'S A BIG JOB TO CREATE A NEW AGENCY FROM
- 6 SCRATCH. AND AS THE FIRST INTERIM PRESIDENT OF THE
- 7 AGENCY STARTING IN JANUARY WHERE I FIRST GOT STAFF, THE
- 8 CONTROLLER OFFERED TO LOAN A SENIOR AUDIT REVIEW
- 9 SUPERVISOR FROM THE CONTROLLER'S AGENCY, WHICH WAS
- 10 WALTER BARNES.
- 11 IN ADDITION, HE AGREED TO AN INTERAGENCY
- 12 CONTRACT SO THAT WE COULD BEGIN WITH THE RIGHT
- 13 PROCEDURES, WITH THE RIGHT APPROVALS, WITH THE RIGHT
- 14 DOCUMENTATION, AND THAT HAS ALL BEEN VERY CRITICAL IN
- 15 THE UNQUALIFIED AUDIT OPINION THAT WE RECEIVED.
- 16 I WOULD LIKE TO SPECIFICALLY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT
- 17 THE CONTROLLER IS ALSO VERY GENEROUS IN TAKING SOMEONE
- 18 WITH 29 YEARS OR MORE OF EXPERIENCE WITH STATE
- 19 GOVERNMENT LIKE WALTER AND THEN ALLOWING US TO HIRE HIM
- 20 AWAY FROM THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE TO MAKE SURE THERE
- 21 WAS CONTINUITY IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THOSE POLICIES.
- 22 ON MARCH 1, 2005, AS WE BEGAN OUR TASK, THE
- 23 CONTROLLER ADDRESSED OUR FULL BOARD, TALKING ABOUT THE
- 24 IMPORTANCE OF OUR MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH
- 25 MISSION, ACCOUNTABILITY, TALKING ABOUT THE STEPS WE HAD

- 1 TO TAKE WITH OVERSIGHT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE WERE
- 2 PROPERLY DOCUMENTING IT. AND I'D LIKE TO EMPHASIZE
- 3 HERE, IN FOLLOWING THROUGH ON THAT, AS WALTER HAS SAID,
- 4 THAT OUR COMPLETE BOOKS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR THAT JUST
- 5 ENDED JUNE 30TH, 2006, HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE
- 6 CONTROLLER'S OFFICE. SO ALL OF THOSE ACCOUNTING
- 7 RECORDS ARE THERE; AND AS WALTER HAS SAID, EVERY SINGLE
- 8 EXPENDITURE WE'VE MADE, THE CHECK IS CUT NOT BY US, BUT
- 9 BY THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE AFTER REVIEWING AND
- 10 APPROVING DOCUMENTATION. ALL OF THAT DOCUMENTATION IS
- 11 THEN SUBJECT TO THE ADDITIONAL REVIEW OF AN AUDIT, AND
- 12 THEN THE AUDIT IS THEN SUBMITTED TO YOUR BOARD FOR
- 13 REVIEW. SO WE THINK THERE IS AN EXTRAORDINARY LEVEL,
- 14 AS THERE SHOULD BE, OF CONTROL AND OVERSIGHT AND CHECKS
- 15 ON THE PERFORMANCE HERE.
- 16 FINALLY, I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT THE DOLBY
- 17 FAMILY NEEDS TO BE SPECIFICALLY RECOGNIZED IN THAT
- 18 FIRST YEAR BECAUSE WHILE THERE WERE IDEOLOGICAL GROUPS
- 19 THAT WANTED TO PROVE THAT THEY COULD DESTROY ANY NEW
- 20 AGENCY OR INITIATIVE THAT WAS DEMOCRATICALLY ENACTED IN
- 21 THIS STATE BY JUST TYING IT UP IN THE COURTS, THE DOLBY
- 22 FAMILY SAW THAT WE SHOULD NOT BE STARVED FOR FUNDS. WE
- 23 HAD TO ACT PROFESSIONALLY, WE HAD TO WORK WITH THE
- 24 NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCE TO PUT IN PLACE THE MODEL
- 25 MEDICAL AND ETHICAL STANDARDS FOR THIS RESEARCH FOR THE

- 1 NATION. IN FACT, THEY'RE BEING COPIED BY OTHER STATES.
- 2 WE HAD TO GET ALL OF OUR ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES AND
- 3 STAFF IN PLACE. SO THAT \$5 MILLION GIFT WAS VITAL TO
- 4 MAKE SURE THERE WAS A MESSAGE THAT CALIFORNIA, WITH ITS
- 5 DEMOCRATICALLY APPROVED MANDATES FOR MEDICAL AND
- 6 ETHICAL RESEARCH, IN THIS CASE PASSED WITH SEVEN
- 7 MILLION VOTES, WOULD NOT BE DESTROYED BY THE ABUSE OF
- 8 THE COURT SYSTEM.
- 9 ADDITIONALLY, I'D LIKE TO THANK THE
- 10 CONTROLLER AS A MEMBER OF THE STATE FINANCE COMMITTEE,
- 11 ALONG WITH THE STATE TREASURER'S LEADERSHIP OF THE
- 12 STATE FINANCE FUNCTION, IN WORKING WITH US FOR THE
- 13 FIRST TIME IN THE STATE'S HISTORY TO CREATE THE BOND
- 14 ANTICIPATION NOTES WHICH HAVE THEN FUNDED OUR ADVANCE
- 15 AND THE RESEARCH FELLOWS GRANTS THAT WERE FUNDED IN
- 16 APRIL, FOR EXAMPLE, TO KEEP THIS AGENCY MOVING. THOSE
- 17 ARE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES THAT IN EVERY SINGLE CASE,
- 18 THAT THE PHILANTHROPIC AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS WHO
- 19 HAVE BOUGHT THOSE HAVE A LITIGATION DISCLOSURE FROM
- THEIR INDEPENDENT COUNSEL AND HAVE FUNDED THIS TO MAKE
- 21 SURE THIS MANDATE MOVES FORWARD FOR THE PEOPLE OF
- 22 CALIFORNIA. AND IT NEEDS TO BE RECOGNIZED THAT FOR THE
- 23 FIRST TIME IN THE HISTORY OF THE STATE OR THE COUNTRY
- 24 THAT IN THE FACE OF LITIGATION THAT, A, THAT WE HAVE
- 25 WON IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS ALREADY WITH THE BENEFIT OF

- 1 THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S HELP, THAT CHARITABLE
- 2 INSTITUTIONS STEPPED FORWARD TO BUY BONDS WITH THAT
- 3 LITIGATION DISCLOSURE TO MAKE SURE THIS MEDICAL AND
- 4 SCIENTIFIC MANDATE NOT BE DESTROYED BY ABUSIVE
- 5 LITIGATION.
- 6 SO WE HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF THANKS. I'D ALSO
- 7 LIKE TO SAY THAT THIS IS A REMARKABLE STATE. THE
- 8 ENTERPRISE REQUIRES TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF OVERSIGHT AND
- 9 TRANSPARENCY. AND FROM THE BOARD PERSPECTIVE, TO
- 10 CONTRIBUTE TO THAT TRANSPARENCY, WE HAVE HELD 84 PUBLIC
- 11 MEETINGS, ALMOST ONE EVERY WEEK WE HAVE BEEN IN
- 12 EXISTENCE. OUR WORKING GROUPS, OUR SCIENTIFIC GROUPS,
- 13 AND OUR STAFF AND OUR BOARD MAKE SURE THAT THE PEOPLE
- 14 OF CALIFORNIA UNDERSTAND. THANK YOU. ZACH HALL MIGHT
- 15 ALSO WISH TO MAKE A COMMENT.
- 16 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, BOB. AND,
- 17 AGAIN, WE WOULDN'T BE HERE WITHOUT THE EXTRAORDINARY
- 18 EFFORTS YOU PUT FORWARD. PRESIDENT HALL.
- 19 DR. HALL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I ALSO WANT
- 20 TO ADD MY THANKS, FIRST OF ALL, TO STEVE WESTLY, THE
- 21 CONTROLLER, FOR HIS SUPPORT OF THE INSTITUTE FROM ITS
- VERY INCEPTION. WE HAVE APPRECIATED YOUR GENEROUSLY
- 23 SHARING PERSONNEL, TECHNOLOGICAL HELP, AND ADVICE, AND
- 24 IT'S MEANT A LOT TO US, PARTICULARLY DURING THIS FIRST
- 25 YEAR WHEN WE WERE OFTEN STRUGGLING.

- 1 ALSO WANT TO THANK THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR
- THEIR TIME AND EFFORTS IN ENSURING THAT THE WORK THAT
- 3 WE DO IS CARRIED OUT RESPONSIBLY AND WITH
- 4 ACCOUNTABILITY. AND I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY THAT THIS IS
- 5 A VERY TIMELY, I THINK, MOMENT FOR YOU TO GIVE THAT
- 6 ASSURANCE AND TO LOOK AT OUR OPERATIONS BECAUSE WE ARE
- 7 REALLY ON THE CUSP OF GOING FULL TIME INTO SCIENTIFIC
- 8 OPERATION, WHICH IS, AFTER ALL, THE HEART AND SOUL OF
- 9 WHAT WE ARE HERE TO DO.
- 10 IN RESPONSE TO THE \$150 MILLION LOAN THAT WE
- 11 HAVE RECEIVED, WE ARE MOVING VERY QUICKLY TO GET THAT
- 12 MONEY OUT. UNDER THE LEADERSHIP DR. ARLENE CHIU, WE
- 13 HAVE ISSUED TWO RFA'S ALREADY, AND WE WILL HAVE A THIRD
- 14 ONE SHORTLY. THESE ARE INTENDED TO JUMP-START HUMAN
- 15 EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH IN CALIFORNIA. THEY ARE
- 16 INTENDED TO BRING NEW INVESTIGATORS, NEW IDEAS, TO
- 17 SUPPORT ONGOING WORK, AND TO PROVIDE SPACE IMPORTANTLY
- 18 BY RENOVATION OF EXISTING SPACE WHERE THIS WORK CAN GO
- 19 ON.
- 20 LETTERS OF INTENT ARE REQUIRED FOR
- 21 SUBMISSIONS. THEY ARE DUE TOMORROW. AND PRELIMINARY
- 22 WORD IS WE ARE EXPECTING A DELUGE TOMORROW. THE
- 23 SCIENTISTS OUT THERE ARE HUNGRY TO BEGIN, THEY'RE READY
- TO GET TO WORK, AND WE WILL GET THAT MONEY OUT, WE
- 25 HOPE, SHORTLY AFTER THE FIRST OF THE YEAR.

- 1 SO I'D LIKE TO JUST SAY A LAST WORD AND ADD
- 2 MY THANKS TO WALTER BARNES. FOR MANY OF US WHO ARE
- 3 COMMITTED TO THIS PROJECT FOR THE SCIENTIFIC AND
- 4 MEDICAL HOPE THAT IT PROVIDES, THE IMPORTANT
- 5 ADMINISTRATIVE UNDERPINNING THAT'S NECESSARY TO HAVE
- 6 THIS GO ON IN A SOUND AND RESPONSIBLE WAY IS LARGELY
- 7 INVISIBLE AND UNDERAPPRECIATED. AND I THINK WHAT WE'VE
- 8 HEARD HERE TODAY IS THE TREMENDOUS WORK THAT WALTER
- 9 BARNES HAS DONE, AND I THINK IT IS YOU AND YOUR PEERS
- 10 MORE THAN ANYBODY ELSE WHO PROVIDE THE PROFESSIONAL
- 11 APPRECIATION OF THE QUALITY OF THAT WORK. AND IT IS
- 12 EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO US AS WE GO FORWARD, AND I'M
- 13 DELIGHTED TO HEAR YOUR STRONG WORDS OF PRAISE FOR
- 14 WALTER AND THE WORK HE'S DONE BECAUSE HE DESERVES EVERY
- 15 BIT OF IT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 16 (APPLAUSE.)
- 17 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, DR. HALL. LET
- 18 ME TELL YOU I WILL SHARE A FEW PERSONAL ANECDOTES ABOUT
- 19 MY WORK WITH WALTER A LITTLE LATER. I WANT TO THANK
- 20 YOU. AND LET ME JUST SAY, AND THEN I'LL TURN IT OVER
- 21 TO THE OTHER MEMBERS TO ASK QUESTIONS, I'M SUPPORTIVE
- 22 OF THE REPORT IN ITS ENTIRETY. I JUST WANT TO NOTE
- 23 IT'S NOT EASY TO GIVE UP ONE OF YOUR VERY BEST
- 24 EMPLOYEES AS WE DID WITH WALTER, BUT WE FELT THIS WAS
- 25 SO IMPORTANT WE SIMPLY HAD TO.

- I ALSO WANT TO POINT OUT, I THINK EVERYBODY
- 2 GRASPS THIS, THAT WHEN YOU GET THREE PEOPLE, ALL OF
- 3 WHOM ARE RUNNING FOR GOVERNOR FROM TWO DIFFERENT
- 4 PARTIES, FROM EVERY POLITICAL POINT ON THE SPECTRUM,
- 5 ALL PUTTING POLITICS ASIDE BECAUSE THIS IS SIMPLY TOO
- 6 IMPORTANT NOT TO, IT'S A TESTAMENT TO JUST HOW
- 7 STUNNINGLY IMPORTANT THIS WORK IS TO THE STATE OF
- 8 CALIFORNIA. AND I'M PROUD THAT THE GOVERNOR, THE
- 9 TREASURER, AND I WERE ALL MORE THAN HAPPY TO PUT
- 10 POLITICS ASIDE TO GET TO WHERE WE ARE.
- 11 I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THE REPORT IN ITS ENTIRETY.
- 12 WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS ASK THE OTHER MEMBERS TO ASK ANY
- 13 QUESTIONS OR ANY COMMENTS THEY MIGHT HAVE, AND THEN
- 14 I'LL ASK FOR A MOTION TO ACCEPT AND ADOPT THE FIVE
- 15 PROCEDURAL RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WERE MADE JUST NOW.
- 16 QUESTIONS FROM THE OTHER MEMBERS? MR. HEIN.
- 17 MR. HEIN: JUST A COUPLE OF INFORMATIONAL
- 18 THINGS AND THEN A BIGGER QUESTION. DID I HEAR
- 19 CORRECTLY, THAT YOU INDICATED THAT LEGAL COSTS, WHICH
- 20 ARE OBVIOUSLY EXTRAORDINARY AT THIS POINT, ARE BEING
- 21 ABSORBED OUT OF RESEARCH FUNDS? DID I HEAR THAT
- 22 CORRECTLY?
- 23 MR. BARNES: UNTIL WE ACTUALLY RECEIVED BAN
- 24 FUNDING AND HAD RESEARCH FUNDING, THE COSTS WERE
- 25 ABSORBED BY THE GENERAL FUND LOAN AND DOLBY. BUT THERE

- 1 IS A PROVISION IN THE LAW THAT INDICATES THAT THE LEGAL
- 2 COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ORGANIZATION CAN BE PAID FROM
- 3 BAN -- FROM BOND FUNDING. BAN FUNDING IS, IN EFFECT,
- 4 EQUIVALENT, SO WE INTEND TO BASICALLY USE THAT TO HELP
- 5 PAY FOR THOSE COSTS.
- 6 MR. HEIN: SECONDLY, YOU MENTIONED THERE WAS
- 7 A RECENT FUND-RAISER. I THINK YOU INDICATED THAT MONEY
- 8 THAT WOULD BE RAISED IN THAT FASHION WOULD BE ALLOCATED
- 9 ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS, BUT CURRENTLY IS BEING
- 10 ALLOCATED TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN?
- 11 MR. BARNES: NOT QUITE. WHAT I SAID WAS THAT
- 12 I HAD MENTIONED THAT WE HAD RECEIVED DONATIONS, TWO
- DONATIONS, BESIDES THE DOLBY FUNDING OF 50,000 AND
- 14 350,000, AND WE WERE DEVOTING THAT MONEY TO OUR
- 15 STRATEGIC PLAN ACTIVITIES. WHAT I ALSO SAID WAS THAT
- 16 WE WERE EXPECTING TO RECEIVE MORE DONATIONS THIS YEAR,
- 17 ONE OF WHICH WOULD BE FROM THE SAN FRANCISCO GALA. WE
- 18 HAVE NOT RECEIVED THAT MONEY YET; BUT, AGAIN, OUR
- 19 EXPECTATION IS THAT WE PROBABLY WOULD USE MOST OF THAT
- 20 MONEY TO HELP WITH BOTH OUR OPERATIONAL AND SCIENTIFIC
- 21 PROGRAMS.
- MR. HEIN: THE BIGGER QUESTION I HAVE, AND IT
- 23 MAY OR MAY NOT BE PERTINENT TO FINANCIAL PRACTICES IN
- 24 AN AUDIT, BUT IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT IT FITS
- 25 SOMEWHERE. IN THE INTENT LANGUAGE OF THE INITIATIVE,

- 1 THERE'S SPECIFIC LANGUAGE THAT SAYS PROVIDING AN
- 2 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE STATE TO BENEFIT FROM ROYALTIES,
- 3 PATENTS, AND LICENSE FEES, LICENSING FEES THAT RESULT
- 4 FROM THE RESEARCH. I'VE NOT SEEN ANY OF THAT IN ANY OF
- 5 THE FINANCIAL PRACTICES DOCUMENTS. PERHAPS I MISSED
- 6 THEM BECAUSE I HONESTLY DIDN'T READ EVERY SINGLE PAGE
- 7 THAT WAS IN THIS BIG MANUAL.
- 8 IS IT PRUDENT TO MONITOR, SORT OF MAKE IT
- 9 PART OF A REGULAR REPORTING MECHANISM AS TO WHAT'S
- 10 OCCURRING? MR. WESTLY MENTIONED INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
- 11 COMMITTEE IS DOING SOME WORK IN THIS AREA, BUT IT WOULD
- 12 SEEM TO ME THAT SOMEHOW IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO
- 13 SPOTLIGHT THAT. AND I DON'T KNOW IF IT ACTUALLY FITS
- 14 HERE IN FINANCIAL PRACTICES, BUT IT SEEMS TO ME, FROM A
- 15 TAXPAYER POINT OF VIEW, IT'S PRETTY ATTENDANT TO THAT.
- 16 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: MAY I COMMENT ON THAT
- 17 PERSONALLY? WHEN I GAVELED THE VERY FIRST MEETING TO
- 18 IN SAN FRANCISCO AND THEN AGAIN AT THE SUBSEQUENT
- 19 MEETING AT STANFORD, I SAID -- I TALKED ABOUT HOW
- 20 IMPORTANT IT WAS THAT THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF
- 21 CALIFORNIA GET A FINANCIAL RETURN. PUTTING TOGETHER
- 22 THE FORMULA ON HOW BEST TO DO THIS TO PROVIDE THE
- 23 INCENTIVES FOR SCIENTISTS TO STEP OUT, TO CREATE THE
- 24 COMPANIES THAT CAN LEAD TO CURES, ETC., IS NOT AN EASY
- 25 FORMULA TO PUT IN PLACE, BUT THERE ARE SOME GREAT

- 1 MODELS TO LOOK AT.
- THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE HAS LED
- 3 THE WAY ON THAT. I THINK THEY'RE QUITE A BIT OF THE
- 4 WAYS DOWNFIELD OF DOING THAT, NOT COMPLETED YET, BUT
- 5 THAT IS IN PLACE, AND I THINK WE CAN ALL FEEL VERY GOOD
- 6 THAT THERE WILL BE FINANCIAL RETURNS FOR THE STATE OF
- 7 CALIFORNIA. AND WHAT I HAVE DONE EARLIER TODAY IN MY
- 8 INITIAL COMMENTS IS ASK FOR WALTER AND HIS SUCCESSORS
- 9 TO BRING FORWARD THE UPDATES ON WHAT THE FINAL FORMULAS
- 10 ARE, THERE MAY BE MORE THAN ONE, GOVERNING CERTAIN
- 11 CIRCUMSTANCES AND THAT THEY KEEP US UPDATED ON HOW THAT
- 12 IS GOING AND HOW THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE WILL BENEFIT
- 13 ON THE FINANCIAL SIDE AS WELL AS FROM THE JOBS AND
- 14 OTHER SIDES, THE BRANDING SIDES SPECIFICALLY.
- 15 WALTER, DO YOU WANT TO ADD TO THAT?
- 16 MR. BARNES: YEAH. I THINK THAT THAT'S
- 17 CORRECT. TO A CERTAIN EXTENT, WE DID NOT INCLUDE THAT
- 18 KIND OF THING IN THIS DISCUSSION HERE BECAUSE MANY OF
- 19 THOSE POLICIES ARE BEING DEVELOPED RIGHT NOW. AS TO
- 20 WHETHER IT'S APPROPRIATE FOR THIS COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT
- 21 THAT, THAT'S CERTAINLY UP TO YOU AND YOUR LEGAL
- 22 COUNSEL. I WOULD ASSUME THAT THERE'S NO REASON WHY YOU
- 23 CAN'T. AND I WOULD ASSUME THAT WE'D BE HAPPY TO MAKE
- 24 PRESENTATIONS ON IT.
- CHAIRMAN WESTLY: UNDER ITEM 6, JOHN, WE'RE

- 1 GOING TO TALK ABOUT WHEN WE HAVE THE NEXT MEETING. IF
- 2 WE DO THAT LATER THIS YEAR, I WOULD CERTAINLY ASK FOR A
- 3 REPORT TO BE MADE ON THE PROGRESS OF THE INTELLECTUAL
- 4 PROPERTY COMMITTEE AND TO HEAR SOME SPECIFICS AS TO
- 5 WHAT THE FORMULAS LOOK LIKE AND HOW THAT WOULD BE
- 6 GOVERNED. OTHER COMMENTS? MR. LOTT.
- 7 MR. LOTT: WELL, A COMMENT AND A QUESTION, I
- 8 GUESS. YOU SPENT SOME GOOD ENERGY AND EFFORT IN
- 9 ASSURING US HOW THE CALCARD SYSTEMS WORKS AS FAR AS
- 10 EXPENDITURES ARE CONCERNED BY EMPLOYEES WORKING IN THIS
- 11 EFFORT. AND I THINK THAT'S PROBABLY TRUE, THEY'RE
- 12 APPROPRIATE AND ADEQUATE.
- 13 I GUESS MY CONCERN IS THAT I'M NOT HEARING
- 14 WHAT WE WILL DO TO DEAL WITH OTHER TYPES OF
- 15 EXPENDITURES THAT MIGHT FALL OUTSIDE OF THE USE OF THE
- 16 CALCARD PROCESS.
- 17 AND THIS IS A VERY EXCITING FIELD THAT WILL,
- 18 AS BEST AS WE CAN TRY TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT WE SCREEN
- 19 PEOPLE WHO REPRESENT AND WORK FOR US. THERE WILL
- 20 ALWAYS BE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR FOLKS TO COME IN AND TAKE
- 21 ADVANTAGE OF WHAT IT IS THAT WE'RE DOING. I'M WANTING
- TO LEARN MORE, I GUESS, ABOUT HOW WE WILL GUARD AGAINST
- 23 IMPROPRIETY, FOR WANT OF A BETTER WORD. WE CAN PROTECT
- 24 PUBLIC FUNDS THROUGH THE CALCARD SYSTEM AND THE
- 25 ACCOUNTING PROCESSES THAT YOU'VE ARTICULATED AND PUT IN

- 1 PLACE, AND WE'RE DOING A LOT OF OTHER THINGS TOO. BUT
- 2 I'M NOT, I GUESS, JUST COMFORTABLE WITH THE FACT THAT
- 3 WE'RE GOING TO STOP -- WE'RE GOING TO ADOPT WHAT OTHER
- 4 STATE AGENCIES DO AND THAT'S GOING TO BE GOOD ENOUGH.
- 5 I GUESS I WANT US TO BE BULLETPROOF. I WANT US TO BE
- 6 BULLETPROOF.
- 7 ARE THERE OTHER THINGS THAT WE CAN DO, ARE
- 8 THERE OTHER BEST PRACTICES THAT OTHER HIGH PROFILE
- 9 INDUSTRIES HAVE ADOPTED THAT WE COULD CONSIDER THAT
- 10 WILL MAKE CERTAIN THAT WE DON'T HAVE THE PROBLEM?
- 11 GUESS THAT'S WHERE I AM. AND BY THE WAY, THAT'S NO --
- 12 PLEASE DON'T ACCEPT THAT AS ANY -- I MEAN DON'T -- I
- 13 WANT -- I DON'T WANT YOU TO LEAVE, SO DON'T -- IT'S NOT
- 14 A COMMENT ON WHAT YOU'VE DONE. I JUST WANT -- I JUST
- 15 WANT TO BE BULLETPROOF.
- MR. BARNES: AND, AGAIN, YOU'RE PREACHING TO
- 17 THE CONVERTED. WE WANT TO BE BULLETPROOF TOO. WE WANT
- 18 TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL EXPENDITURES ARE PROPERLY
- 19 DOCUMENTED AND TAKEN CARE OF. I MENTIONED THE CALCARD
- 20 MAINLY BECAUSE THAT'S A VEHICLE THAT IS AVAILABLE AND
- 21 CONTAINS A SPECIAL CREDIT CARD PROCESS FOR PURCHASING A
- 22 LOT OF THINGS. BUT THE MATERIAL THAT I GAVE YOU WITH
- 23 REGARD TO THE, LET'S SEE, THE PROCEDURES ON OPERATING
- 24 EXPENDITURES, TAB 4, CONTAINS REFERENCE TO ALL OF THE
- 25 VARIOUS TYPES OF OPERATING EXPENSES THAT WE INCUR AND

- 1 BASICALLY LAYS OUT THE PROCESS FOR HOW THEY ARE TO BE
- 2 APPROVED.
- 3 AND, AGAIN, I WOULD SAY THAT GOING BACK TO MY
- 4 EARLIEST DAYS OF ACCOUNTING, YOU KNOW, WHEN I WAS IN
- 5 THE ACCOUNTING CLASSES AND ALL OF THAT, THE BIGGEST
- 6 THING THAT EVERYBODY HAS ALWAYS SAID IS SEPARATION OF
- 7 AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY. AND THE TWO-STEP
- 8 APPROVAL PROCESS IS INHERENT IN EVERYTHING THAT WE DO,
- 9 PLUS WHICH EVERYTHING GETS A REVIEW BY THE OFFICE OF
- 10 ADMINISTRATION BEFORE IT GOES TO THE STATE CONTROLLER'S
- 11 ACCOUNTING OFFICE WHERE THEY TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT IT,
- 12 AND THEN IT GOES THROUGH A FORMAL AUDIT THAT THE STATE
- 13 CONTROLLER DOES FOR EVERY OTHER EXPENDITURE AS WELL.
- 14 SO I THINK THAT MY EXPERIENCE HAS ALWAYS BEEN WHEN THAT
- 15 BREAKS DOWN, IT BREAKS DOWN WHEN THAT PROCESS IS NOT
- 16 FOLLOWED. ALL OF MY EXPERIENCES WITH OTHER STATE
- 17 AGENCIES IS WHEN THERE'S A PROBLEM, YOU GO INTO IT AND
- 18 FIND THAT THAT EXTRA REVIEW AND EXTRA FOLLOW-UP IS NOT
- 19 THERE.
- 20 MR. LOTT: YOU GOT IT. YOU GOT IT RIGHT ON
- 21 TARGET. BUT HOW DO WE DEAL WITH THINGS LIKE KICKBACKS,
- THINGS THAT MIGHT FALL OUTSIDE OF OUR ACCOUNTING
- 23 PROTECTIONS? WHAT DO YOU REQUIRE -- WHAT WOULD WE
- 24 REQUIRE OF OUR STAKEHOLDERS AND EMPLOYEES, WHOMEVER,
- 25 WITH REGARD TO ACTIVITIES THAT ARE NOT NECESSARILY

- 1 REPORTED THROUGH THE NORMAL PROCESSES THAT WE HAVE THIS
- DOUBLE-CHECK SYSTEM IN PLACE? EXAMPLE, THIS IS VERY
- 3 EXTREME, AND I'M NOT NECESSARILY RECOMMENDING THIS, MR.
- 4 CHAIRMAN. I'M JUST RAISING THE QUESTION. DO WE HAVE
- 5 PEOPLE INVOLVED IN -- DO WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO WOULD -- DO
- 6 WE REQUIRE OF OUR PEOPLE TO TAKE LIE DETECTION TEST,
- 7 THAT KIND OF THING? I'M GETTING REALLY EXTREME HERE.
- 8 I REALLY WANT TO UNDERSTAND HOW IS IT THAT WE KNOW THAT
- 9 PEOPLE ARE NOT INVOLVED IN IMPROPER ACTIVITIES THAT
- 10 WOULD BE SELF-SERVING.
- MR. BARNES: BESIDES THE PROCESS THAT I
- 12 MENTIONED TO YOU, WE ALSO HAVE, OF COURSE, THE AUDIT
- 13 THAT TAKES PLACE EVERY YEAR THAT COMES IN AND REVIEWS
- 14 OUR PROCESSES TO MAKE SURE, IN FACT, OUR INTERNAL
- 15 CONTROLS ARE, IN FACT, OPERATING PROPERLY. I WOULD
- 16 ALSO SAY THAT WE HAVE AN AUDIT CURRENTLY BEING
- 17 PERFORMED ON US BY THE STATE BUREAU OF STATE AUDITS
- 18 THAT IS ALSO TAKING A LOOK AT OUR PROCESSES AND THINGS
- 19 LIKE THAT.
- 20 MR. LOTT: BE SPECIFIC. HOW DO I KNOW THAT A
- 21 SCIENTIST IS WORKING FOR -- NOT RECEIVING AN HONORARIUM
- 22 FROM A DRUG COMPANY?
- 23 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: LET ME ASK DR. HALL.
- 24 YOU'VE HAD EXPERIENCE HERE AS A MEDICAL ETHICIST FOR
- 25 YEARS. MAYBE YOU CAN SPEAK TO THIS IN ADDITION TO THE

- 1 FINANCIAL ASPECT THAT WALTER BRINGS.
- DR. HALL: LET ME ADDRESS IT, FIRST OFF, WITH
- 3 RESPECT TO THE CIRM EMPLOYEES. I JUST WANTED TO SAY
- 4 THAT WE HAVE CONFLICT OF INTEREST RULES THAT GO BEYOND
- 5 THOSE OF OTHER STATE AGENCIES. OUR EMPLOYEES ARE NOT
- 6 ALLOWED TO OWN BIOTECH OR PHARMACEUTICAL STOCKS. THEY
- 7 ARE NOT -- IF THEY HAVE ANY FAMILY MEMBERS OR OTHERS
- 8 WHO RECEIVE INCOME FROM A CALIFORNIA INSTITUTION, FOR
- 9 EXAMPLE, THEY CANNOT BE INVOLVED IN ANY GRANTING
- 10 ACTIVITIES OR CONSIDERATION OF GRANTS FROM THAT
- 11 INSTITUTION. SO WE HAVE A SERIES OF RULES THAT GO
- 12 ABOVE AND BEYOND THE NORMAL STANDARDS OF CALIFORNIA
- 13 STATE EMPLOYEES, AND THAT'S EXTREMELY IMPORTANT.
- 14 NOW, THE ISSUE YOU RAISE IS ONE THAT COULD
- 15 CONCEIVABLY COME UP IN A GRANTEE INSTITUTION. THAT IS,
- 16 WE DON'T HAVE ON OUR -- WE DON'T HAVE IN OUR STAFF
- 17 PEOPLE WHO ARE CARRYING OUT RESEARCH.
- 18 MR. LOTT: SO WE'VE TAKEN CARE OF OUR STAFF.
- 19 DR. HALL: YES.
- MR. LOTT: BUT NOW WE'RE MOVING -- TALKING TO
- 21 THE GRANTEES. HOW DO WE --
- DR. HALL: WE HAVE ALSO VERY STRICT
- 23 PROCEDURES FOR GIVING OUT GRANTS THAT ENSURE THAT WE
- 24 DON'T HAVE CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND THAT THIS IS DONE
- 25 IN A FAIR AND IMPARTIAL AND UNBIASED WAY. I WOULD BE

- 1 HAPPY TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THAT AT ANOTHER OCCASION IF
- 2 YOU WANT. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF -- IT WOULD TAKE ME SOME
- 3 TIME TO WALK YOU THROUGH THE PROCESS, BUT LET ME JUST
- 4 SAY THAT WE HAVE WORKED VERY HARD ON THIS. WE GOT A
- 5 LOT OF PUBLIC INPUT --
- 6 MR. LOTT: MR. CHAIRMAN, I WON'T BELABOR THIS
- 7 TODAY. I WOULD LIKE TO BE WALKED THROUGH THE PROCESS.
- 8 WE CAN DO THAT OFF-LINE.
- 9 DR. HALL: I'D BE HAPPY TO DO THAT WITH YOU.
- 10 MR. LOTT: I WOULD LIKE TO UNDERSTAND THAT.
- DR. HALL: AND THEN THE OTHER ISSUE, JUST TO
- 12 WIND IT UP, IS THE ISSUE OF SCIENTISTS THAT MIGHT
- 13 RECEIVE -- THE ISSUE THAT YOU REFER TO IS FOLLOWING
- 14 THAT A SCIENTIST CARRIES OUT A CLINICAL TRIAL AND HAS A
- 15 FINANCIAL INTEREST IN A DRUG COMPANY THAT IS SPONSORING
- 16 THE TRIAL. THE INSTITUTIONS THEMSELVES HAVE VERY
- 17 STRONG CONFLICT OF INTEREST RULES FOR THAT. I WAS
- 18 PREVIOUSLY VICE CHANCELLOR FOR RESEARCH AND EXECUTIVE
- 19 VICE CHANCELLOR AT UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN
- 20 FRANCISCO. AT THAT TIME WE HAD A RULE, WHICH IS STILL
- 21 IN EFFECT, WHICH ACTUALLY WENT BEYOND THE NATIONAL
- 22 STANDARD, THAT NO SCIENTIST INVOLVED IN A CLINICAL
- TRIAL COULD RECEIVE ANY SORT OF INCOME, EITHER FROM THE
- 24 COMPANY SPONSORING THE TRIAL OR FOR THE PRODUCT, EVEN
- 25 TO THE EXTENT OF PARTICIPATING IN THE ADVISORY

- 1 COMMITTEE THAT GAVE THEM \$5,000 A YEAR. ABSOLUTELY
- 2 NOT. SO THIS IS A VERY FIRM RULE.
- 3 AND IT'S BEEN INTERESTING TO SEE, WITH SOME
- 4 OF THE MORE RECENT SCANDALS THAT HAVE BEEN IN THE NEWS
- 5 RECENTLY, THAT THAT SORT OF THING WOULD NOT HAVE
- 6 HAPPENED AT UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN FRANCISCO, FOR
- 7 EXAMPLE. THAT'S TRUE, I THINK, GENERALLY THROUGHOUT
- 8 CALIFORNIA INSTITUTIONS. SO WE, I THINK, CAN BE PROUD
- 9 OF BEING IN A STATE WHERE THE LEVEL OF SCRUTINY FOR
- 10 THAT IS QUITE HIGH.
- 11 MR. LOTT: THANK YOU FOR INDULGING ME.
- DR. HALL: WE WILL MONITOR THAT FOR ISSUES
- 13 THAT ARE RELEVANT TO US.
- 14 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: MR. LOTT HAS RAISED AN
- 15 IMPORTANT QUESTION. WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS ASK
- 16 MS. CASALEGNO ON MY STAFF TO WORK WITH DR. HALL. IF
- 17 YOU COULD SEND AN E-MAIL PERHAPS TO ALL OF US AND GIVE
- 18 US A SENSE OF BACKGROUND. WE CAN REVIEW THAT BEFORE
- 19 THE NEXT MEETING.
- DR. HALL: I'D BE HAPPY TO DO THAT.
- 21 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: STILL DO NEED TO GET A
- 22 MOTION CALLING FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE FIVE
- 23 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE. ARE THERE ANY OTHER COMMENTS
- 24 BEFORE THAT?
- MR. LOTT: MOTION. I SO MOVE, MR. CHAIRMAN,

- 1 THAT WE ADOPT.
- MR. BRUNNER: SECOND.
- 3 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY
- 4 AYE. MOTION CARRIES.
- 5 WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO WITH THE ACCEPTANCE AND
- 6 THE INDULGENCE OF THE OTHER MEMBERS IS TAKE A
- 7 FIVE-MINUTE BREAK HERE. I CHAIR OVER 50 BOARDS AND
- 8 COMMISSIONS, AND I APPRECIATE A BREAK, IF NECESSARY.
- 9 WE'LL READJOURN IN ABOUT FIVE TO TEN MINUTES, AND I
- 10 THINK WE CAN STILL BE FINISHED BY NOONTIME. THANK YOU.
- 11 (A RECESS WAS TAKEN.)
- 12 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: ALL RIGHT. I WOULD LIKE TO
- 13 READJOURN THE MEETING AND MOVE TO ITEM 6. JUST AS
- 14 BACKGROUND, THE COMMITTEE IS REQUIRED TO HOLD AT LEAST
- 15 ONE ANNUAL MEETING TO REVIEW THE ANNUAL INDEPENDENT
- 16 AUDIT. ADDITIONAL MEETINGS CAN BE SCHEDULED.
- 17 RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED TO REQUIRE STAFF
- 18 WORK AND PUBLIC NOTICE BEFORE THE COMMITTEE CAN TAKE
- 19 ACTION. SO WE HAVE SOME DISCRETION HERE.
- 20 ITEM 6 IS A CONSIDERATION OF THE NEED FOR
- 21 ADDITIONAL MEETINGS. AND AS WE HEARD FROM MR. BARNES,
- 22 THE NEXT ANNUAL AUDIT BY THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR COULD
- 23 BE DONE AS EARLY AS NOVEMBER. MY OFFICE WOULD THEN
- 24 QUICKLY REVIEW THAT REPORT BEFORE THE COMMITTEE
- 25 RECONVENES. SO IN LAYPERSON'S TERMS, WE COULD DO

- 1 ANOTHER MEETING BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR, NOT JUST TO
- 2 REVIEW THE SECOND AUDIT, AND IT'S FOR THE PERIOD THAT
- 3 ENDED JUNE 30TH, SO WE HAVE THE DATA, WE CAN DO THIS
- 4 QUICKLY. BUT IT'S ALSO AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS OTHER
- 5 ISSUES, LIKE THE ONE I MENTIONED AT THE BEGINNING AND
- 6 MR. HEIN EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN. SO I'M VERY OPEN TO
- 7 THIS.
- 8 MR. BARNES, CAN YOU JUST SAY A WORD ABOUT HOW
- 9 QUICKLY WE WOULD NEED TO MOVE, AND I KNOW YOU'VE MOVED
- 10 OUICKLY ON A CONSISTENT BASIS HERE. BUT CAN YOU
- 11 REITERATE WHERE WE ARE IN THE PROCESS, WHEN YOU WILL
- 12 HAVE FINAL SELECTION ON THE NEW AUDITOR?
- MR. BARNES: SURE. THE BIDS ARE DUE ON
- 14 MONDAY, THE 18TH. AND WE HOPE TO BE ABLE TO MAKE THE
- 15 SELECTION BASED ON THOSE BIDS BY THE END OF THE WEEK
- 16 AND HAVE THE AUDITOR UNDER CONTRACT. AND UNDER THE
- 17 CONTRACT, THEY'RE REQUIRED TO START ALMOST IMMEDIATELY
- 18 ON THE RECORDS, WHICH ARE DONE AND READY TO BE AUDITED.
- 19 AND SO, AGAIN, OUR HOPE WOULD BE THAT, ALTHOUGH THIS
- 20 SECOND YEAR IS A LITTLE MORE COMPLICATED THAN THE FIRST
- 21 YEAR, IT'S ALSO NOT THAT COMPLICATED. SO WE HOPE THAT
- 22 THEY WILL BE ABLE TO FINISH THEIR AUDIT SOMETIME IN THE
- 23 LATE PART OF NOVEMBER, WHICH WOULD THEN ALLOW FOR THE
- 24 CONTROLLER'S REVIEW AND ISSUANCE OF ITS REPORT.
- 25 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: SO THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE

- 1 IS PREPARED TO MOVE QUICKLY HERE. AND THIS IS
- 2 COMPLETELY UP TO THE DISCRETION OF THE BOARD. AND I
- 3 WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM THE MEMBERS BECAUSE I'M MORE
- 4 THAN HAPPY TO COMMIT MS. CASALEGNO AND MY STAFF TO
- 5 PREPARE A PUBLIC NOTICE FOR AN ADDITIONAL MEETING THIS
- 6 YEAR, PROBABLY IN EARLY DECEMBER, IF THAT IS YOUR
- 7 RECOMMENDATION AND PREFERENCE. IF I CAN HEAR FROM THE
- 8 BOARD, MS. POTTER, WOULD YOU LIKE TO COMMENT?
- 9 MS. POTTER: YES. MR. CHAIRMAN. I THINK AN
- 10 ADDITIONAL MEETING WOULD MAKE SENSE. WE'VE GOT THE
- 11 ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED EARLIER. AND I THINK
- 12 THERE'S ALSO AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO COME BACK AND
- 13 TALK ABOUT THE FOUNDATION THAT'S BEING LAID FOR THE
- 14 MONITORING IN ADVANCE OF THE FORMAL AUDIT THAT WILL
- 15 OCCUR SOMETIME NEXT YEAR. SO I THINK THAT WOULD BE A
- 16 VERY, VERY GOOD IDEA.
- 17 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, MS. POTTER.
- 18 MR. BRUNNER, MR. HEIN, MR. LOTT, ANY ADDITIONAL
- 19 COMMENTS?
- 20 MR. BRUNNER: JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE
- 21 TIMING IS RIGHT, THAT IT'S NOT UNDULY SQUEEZING YOU. I
- 22 MEAN WE NEED TO DO IT QUICKLY. THE AUDIT, YOU'RE
- 23 ANTICIPATING THE AUDIT WILL BE OUT IN NOVEMBER
- 24 SOMETIME, AND HOW MUCH TIME DO YOU NEED TO REVIEW?
- 25 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: LET ME GO THROUGH THE

- 1 TIMING. THE NEW AUDITOR WILL BE SELECTED BY THE TAIL
- 2 END OF NEXT WEEK. ALL THE DOCUMENTS ARE READY TO GO.
- 3 I'M FAIRLY CONFIDENT THEY CAN HAVE THEIR REVIEW DONE,
- 4 WALTER, THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, AND I THINK THE
- 5 CONTROLLER'S OFFICE COULD DO THEIR REVIEW OF THAT AUDIT
- 6 FAIRLY QUICKLY AFTER THAT AND GIVING US TIME TO
- 7 SCHEDULE A MEETING IN DECEMBER.
- 8 MR. BRUNNER: IS THERE ANY PUBLIC NOTICE
- 9 PERIOD THAT WE HAVE TO HAVE THAT OUT?
- 10 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: ABSOLUTELY. WE CAN DO SOME
- 11 OF THESE STEPS IN PARALLEL, SO I THINK WE CAN CERTAINLY
- 12 DO THAT. IT WOULD PROBABLY BE A LITTLE SHORTER AGENDA
- 13 THAN THIS ONE BECAUSE THERE WOULDN'T BE QUITE AS MANY
- 14 ISSUES TO REVIEW, SO I'M CONFIDENT WE CAN DO THAT IF
- 15 YOU'RE COMFORTABLE WITH THAT, WALTER. WE CAN
- 16 COMMUNICATE BACK TO THE BOARD IF WE RUN INTO SOMETHING
- 17 UNFORESEEN, SOMETHING THAT REQUIRES MORE WORK.
- 18 OBVIOUSLY WE WOULD LET YOU KNOW, BUT THAT WOULD BE THE
- 19 OPERATING GOAL.
- 20 MR. BARNES: THAT'S CERTAINLY THE GOAL THAT
- 21 WE HAVE, AND WE'LL CERTAINLY TRY TO MAKE IT.
- MR. LOTT: MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD LIKE TO
- 23 RECOMMEND THAT WE LEAVE THIS DECISION TO THE NEXT
- 24 MEETING ON THE CALL OF YOUR OFFICE. ONE THING WE DON'T
- 25 WANT TO DO IS BECOME AN IMPEDIMENT. WE DON'T WANT TO

- 1 BECOME A BARRIER IN THE WAY OF PROGRESS. YOUR FOLKS
- 2 WILL KNOW WHEN IT'S BEST TO BRING US BACK TOGETHER, I
- 3 THINK, AND REVIEW WHAT'S GOING ON. I'M VERY
- 4 COMFORTABLE WITH THE WAY THINGS ARE GOING ALONG TO
- 5 LEAVE IT UPON THE NOTICE AND THE CALL OF -- THE CALL
- 6 AND THE NOTICE OF YOUR OFFICE.
- 7 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: GREAT. I THANK YOU, MR.
- 8 LOTT. I THINK OUR GOAL WILL BE TO TRY TO NOTICE A
- 9 MEETING IN DECEMBER. WHAT I WILL DO IS ASK THE STAFF
- 10 TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE TO THE BOARD MEMBERS ON HOW WE'RE
- 11 GOING WITH THE AUDIT PROCESS AND TO COMMUNICATE BACK AS
- 12 TO WHETHER THAT'S POSSIBLE. IF IT'S NOT, WE'LL
- 13 CERTAINLY DO IT EARLY IN THE NEXT YEAR, BUT WE'LL DO
- 14 OUR BEST TO KEEP THE MOMENTUM WE'VE ALREADY
- 15 ESTABLISHED.
- 16 THAT'S NOT AN AGENDA OR AN ACTION ITEM. SO
- 17 WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO, UNLESS THERE'S FURTHER COMMENT, IS
- 18 MOVE TO ITEM 7. THIS IS THE PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION ON
- 19 MATTERS UNDER THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION,
- 20 BUT THAT MAY NOT HAVE BEEN LISTED ON THE AGENDA.
- 21 PUBLIC IS NOW OPEN TO ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT THEY'D LIKE
- 22 TO RAISE, AND WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE WHO HAVE ASKED TO
- 23 SPEAK ON ITEM 7. AND THEY ARE JOHN SIMPSON. IF HE HAS
- 24 STEPPED OUT, MAYBE IF SOMEONE -- RUSS, COULD YOU LET
- 25 HIM KNOW THAT HE'S UP? AND MR. REED FROM THE

- 1 CALIFORNIANS FOR CURES.
- MR. REED: FIRST OFF, I HAVE TO GO BACK A
- 3 LITTLE BIT FURTHER IN TIME, THAT I REMEMBER THE FIRST
- 4 TIME THAT, TO MY KNOWLEDGE, YOU, CONTROLLER WESTLY,
- 5 MENTIONED PROP 71, YOU MADE TWO PROMISES. YOU SAID YOU
- 6 WOULD GIVE IT YOUR ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORT AND THAT WE
- 7 COULD EXPECT EQUALLY ENTHUSIASTIC OVERSIGHT. AND
- 8 YOU'VE BEEN TRUE TO YOUR WORD IN BOTH CASES. WE
- 9 APPRECIATE THAT.
- 10 TO THE PEOPLE ON THIS BOARD I WOULD JUST LIKE
- 11 TO SAY THERE WILL BE TIMES WHEN YOU'RE GOING TO WISH
- 12 YOU NEVER HEARD OF US BECAUSE THIS IS GOING TO REQUIRE
- 13 A LOT OF EXTRA WORK. THERE'S BEEN 84 PUBLIC MEETINGS.
- 14 I GO TO MOST OF THEM. AND EVERYBODY IS OVERWORKED, AND
- 15 YOU WILL BE TOO. IT'S SO MUCH. SO WHEN YOUR FAMILIES
- 16 GIVE YOU A HARD TIME FOR SPENDING SO MUCH, I WOULD JUST
- 17 LIKE TO SAY YOU'RE FIGHTING FOR MY SON, AMONG OTHER
- 18 PEOPLE. MY SON IS PARALYZED. HAPPENED IN A FOOTBALL
- 19 ACCIDENT. AND WE'VE SEEN SOME OF THE POSSIBILITIES OF
- 20 THE RESEARCH.
- I GOT TO HOLD IN MY OWN HAND A RAT WHICH HAD
- 22 BEEN PARALYZED, BUT WHICH WAS GIVEN EMBRYONIC STEM CELL
- 23 RESEARCH, AND IT WALKED AGAIN. AND THIS WHILE MY SON
- 24 WAS SITTING IN HIS WHEELCHAIR WATCHING. CHRISTOPHER
- 25 REEVE SENT OUR FAMILY A LETTER. WE HELPED THEM IN A

- 1 SMALL WAY IN A FUND-RAISER FOR HIM. AND THE LETTER
- 2 SAID, "ONE DAY ROMAN," MY SON, "AND I WILL STAND UP
- 3 FROM OUR WHEELCHAIRS AND WALK AWAY FROM THEM FOREVER."
- 4 THE HOURS THAT YOU SPEND, THE EXTRA HOURS,
- 5 THE UNPAID EXTRA HOURS THAT YOU SPEND BRING US CLOSER
- 6 TO THE GLORIOUS DAY WHEN NOT JUST MY SON, BUT MILLIONS
- 7 MORE WILL HAVE THAT CHANCE. SO THANK YOU IN ADVANCE
- 8 VERY MUCH.
- 9 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU, MR. REED. THAT
- 10 IS ONE OF THE MORE POWERFUL THINGS I'VE HEARD. AND
- 11 WE'RE ALL PRAYING FOR ROMAN. I KNOW I'VE TALKED TO YOU
- 12 ABOUT THAT BEFORE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR EFFORTS.
- 13 MR. SIMPSON, WE'RE DELIGHTED TO YOU HAVE
- 14 BACK. WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO COME TO THE MICROPHONE?
- MR. SIMPSON: JOHN SIMPSON FROM THE
- 16 FOUNDATION FOR TAXPAYER AND CONSUMER RIGHTS AGAIN. I
- 17 CAN'T -- RARELY CAN I MATCH DON REED'S ELOQUENCE AND
- 18 PERSONAL EXPERIENCE. I WISH THE BEST AND THE FASTEST
- 19 FOR HIS SON.
- 20 AND THIS IS AN INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT
- 21 ENTERPRISE THAT YOU'RE ALL PART OF. AND I GUESS I
- 22 CONSIDER MYSELF A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF IT TOO AND WAS
- 23 HEARTENED BY WHAT I SENSED AMONG THE COMMITTEE AS THE
- 24 NEED FOR KEEN OVERSIGHT AND A COMMITMENT TO
- 25 TRANSPARENCY.

- I WAS TROUBLED INITIALLY WHEN WE SAW THE
- 2 AGENDA POSTED AND ESSENTIALLY THE FIRST ITEM OF
- 3 BUSINESS AS IT CAME ACROSS, IT MAY HAVE BEEN SLOPPY
- 4 READING ON MY PART, LOOKED AS THOUGH THE FIRST THING
- 5 YOU WERE GOING TO DO IS SEEK AN EXEMPTION FROM
- 6 FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE. I'M DELIGHTED THE VOTE WENT THE
- 7 WAY IT WENT. I THINK THAT'S WONDERFUL.
- 8 I SUSPECT THAT YOU WILL PROBABLY SEE MORE OF
- 9 ME. I WILL TRY TO BE CONSTRUCTIVE. I WILL TRY TO SAY
- 10 THINGS, CALL THEM AS I SEE THEM. I APPRECIATE MANY OF
- 11 THE THINGS THAT HAVE HAPPENED AT THE ICOC, SOME OF
- 12 WHICH HAVE BEEN THE DIRECT RESULT OF SUGGESTIONS WE'VE
- 13 MADE. THIS IS AN ONGOING PROJECT. I THINK WE'RE
- 14 GETTING FUNDING FOR ANOTHER YEAR FROM THE CUMMINGS
- 15 FOUNDATION TO CONTINUE IT. THAT'S BECAUSE THIS IS A
- 16 VITALLY IMPORTANT EFFORT IN CALIFORNIA. WE CAN TALK
- 17 ABOUT \$3 BILLION BEING AT STAKE; BUT, IN FACT, IT'S SIX
- 18 BILLION WHEN YOU FIGURE IN THE BOND FINANCING. IT'S A
- 19 HECK OF A LOT OF MONEY, AND IT'S CRITICALLY IMPORTANT
- 20 THAT THE TAXPAYERS WHO ARE PUTTING IT UP GET NOT ONLY
- 21 THE CURES, BUT THE FAIR FINANCIAL RETURN AND
- 22 ACCOUNTABILITY THAT THEY SHOULD EXPECT. THANK YOU VERY
- 23 MUCH.
- 24 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: MR. SIMPSON, THANK YOU. WE
- 25 APPRECIATE YOUR APPEARANCE AND YOUR THOUGHTS TODAY.

- 1 WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO NOW, UNLESS THERE ARE ANY
- OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS, IS TO MOVE TO ITEM 8. THIS IS
- 3 BOARD MEMBER TIME, AND I'D LIKE TO ASK ANY OF THE BOARD
- 4 MEMBERS TO SHARE ANY THOUGHTS OR CONCERNS THEY HAVE.
- 5 WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO FIRST IS WE'RE JUST GOING TO DO A
- 6 VERY SHORT PRESENTATION, IF THE BOARD WILL ALLOW ME, TO
- 7 WALTER BARNES.
- 8 I JUST WANT TO SAY ON A PERSONAL NOTE I'VE
- 9 BEEN BLESSED TO HAVE WALTER BARNES WORK IN THE
- 10 CONTROLLER'S OFFICE. HE WAS NOT ONLY ONE OF OUR VERY
- 11 BEST AND MOST SENIOR EMPLOYEES, HE ALSO BECAME A GOOD
- 12 FRIEND. I LOVE TO JOKE WITH WALTER. AFTER 42 YEARS OF
- 13 SERVICE TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, I REALLY FELT THE
- 14 LAST YEAR OR TWO HE BEGAN TO GET A HANDLE ON THINGS.
- 15 LET ME JUST SAY WHEN I FIRST CAME INTO
- 16 OFFICE, YOU KNOW, I HAD COME FROM A VERY LARGE,
- 17 WELL-KNOWN COMPANY. I HAD QUITE A BIT OF FINANCIAL
- 18 BACKGROUND; BUT WHEN I CAME IN, WE WERE FACED RIGHT OUT
- 19 OF THE SHOOT WITH A \$12 BILLION DEFICIT THAT, FRANKLY,
- THE STATE DIDN'T QUITE KNOW HOW TO DEAL WITH, AND WE
- 21 HAD TO REALLY JUMP INTO ACTION FROM DAY ONE. WALTER
- 22 AND I WORKED LITERALLY AROUND THE CLOCK WITH OTHER
- 23 MEMBERS OF OUR STAFF TO DO WHAT WAS CALLED A \$12
- 24 BILLION ALMOST IMMEDIATE BORROWING FOR THE STATE OF
- 25 CALIFORNIA TO AVOID LITERALLY THE WORLD'S SIXTH LARGEST

- 1 ECONOMY FROM RUNNING OUT OF MONEY.
- 2 SO I GOT TO SERVE IN THE TRENCHES WITH WALTER
- 3 FROM DAY ONE. AND I WILL TELL YOU THAT HE IS ONE OF
- 4 THE FINEST, HARDEST WORKING, MOST THOUGHTFUL AND HIGHLY
- 5 RESPECTED AND HIGH INTEGRITY PEOPLE YOU'LL EVER WORK
- 6 WITH. SO I'M JUST DELIGHTED TO HAVE HIM HERE AND TO BE
- 7 WITH HIM ON ONE OF HIS FINAL DAYS OF STATE SERVICE.
- 8 I ALSO HAVE TO TELL YOU HE WAS LOVED IN THE
- 9 OFFICE, AND YOU WILL FIND NO BIGGER FAN FOR THE
- 10 SACRAMENTO KINGS THAN WALTER BARNES. WALTER WOULD
- 11 OFTEN SHOW UP DRESSED HEAD TO TOE IN PURPLE, WHICH WAS
- 12 A LITTLE SCARY INITIALLY, BUT I LEARNED IT'S JUST PART
- 13 OF WHO HE IS. WALTER, I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU TO COME UP,
- 14 AND I'D JUST LIKE TO PRESENT TO YOU FOR YOUR YEARS OF
- 15 SERVICE.
- MR. BARNES: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 17 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: WALTER BARNES, YOU'RE A
- 18 HERO OF STATE SERVICE. IF MORE PEOPLE KNEW WHAT PEOPLE
- 19 LIKE WALTER BARNES WERE DOING, IT WOULD MAKE THEM VERY
- 20 PROUD THAT THE STATE'S FINANCES WERE BEING WELL LOOKED
- 21 AFTER. AND IF I EVER NEED TO BORROW ANOTHER 12
- 22 BILLION, I KNOW WHO TO COME TO. WALTER BARNES.
- 23 (APPLAUSE.)
- 24 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: WALTER, I KNOW ALL YOU
- 25 REALLY WANTED WAS A CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY IN SACRAMENTO.

- 1 MAYBE THIS YEAR. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU FOR INDULGING
- 2 ME ON THAT.
- 3 I WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TO THANK THE OTHER
- 4 BOARD MEMBERS FOR THEIR TIME AND TO ASK THEM TO JUST
- 5 REMEMBER MR. REED'S COMMENTS, WHO I'VE SPENT SOME TIME
- 6 WITH, AND HOW EXTRAORDINARILY IMPORTANT THE WORK IS
- 7 AND, FRANKLY, HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO NOT JUST PROVIDE
- 8 THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT WORK, BUT TO GET CREATIVE, TO
- 9 THINK BIG, TO THINK ABOUT SOME OF THE THINGS I TALKED
- 10 ABOUT EARLIER ABOUT HOW WE CAN WORK WITH OTHER
- 11 COMMITTEES TO PERHAPS SET STANDARDS TO HELP SPEED THE
- 12 TIME TO CURES BY PROVIDING OPEN RESEARCH, HOW WE CAN
- 13 MAKE SURE THAT THE PEOPLE OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA
- 14 RECEIVE A RETURN ON THEIR INVESTMENT. BUT I'D LOVE TO
- 15 HEAR CREATIVE THOUGHT, BOLD THOUGHTS, IDEAS, CRITICISMS
- 16 FROM OTHER BOARD MEMBERS.
- 17 MR. LOTT: I'D LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT, IF I
- 18 MAY, WHICH I DO A LOT OF.
- 19 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: MR. LOTT.
- MR. LOTT: MR. REED, I'M GOING TO SHARE WITH
- 21 YOU -- WELL, I'LL SHARE WITH EVERYBODY. I WAS ASKED TO
- 22 BE A PART OF THIS -- PART OF THIS FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY
- 23 BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM OF THE SENATE. AND THIS WAS
- 24 QUITE AWHILE BACK. THIS WAS BACK IN JULY, I GUESS,
- 25 EARLY LAST YEAR SOMETIME. AND LITTLE DID I KNOW AT

- 1 THAT TIME ABOUT THE EVENTS THAT WERE GOING TO OCCUR IN
- 2 MY LIFE, BUT ON DECEMBER 27TH ON THE I-5 COMING BACK
- 3 FROM VISITING WITH RELATIVES IN NAPA VALLEY, MY FAMILY
- 4 WAS INVOLVED IN A HORRIFIC AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT, AND MY
- 5 FIVE-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER WAS LEFT PARALYZED.
- 6 ALL OF A SUDDEN THIS TOOK A WHOLE NEW MEANING
- 7 FOR ME PERSONALLY. AND MY WIFE AND I PROBABLY DID ALL
- 8 THE THINGS THAT YOU'VE DONE, AND I PROBABLY SHOULD
- 9 CONNECT WITH YOU AND SEE ABOUT SOME OF THE THINGS WE
- 10 PROBABLY MISSED. WE JUST RESEARCHED EVERYTHING THAT WE
- 11 COULD POSSIBLY RESEARCH ABOUT HER SPINAL CORD INJURY.
- 12 AND WE'RE SO FAR BEHIND HERE IN THIS COUNTRY AS TO
- 13 WHAT'S GOING ON IN OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD THAT WE'VE
- 14 BEEN ABLE TO, AT LEAST, ASSESS. WE'RE LOOKING AT
- 15 PROBABLY WHAT YOU'VE DONE AS WELL. WE'RE LOOKING AT
- 16 ALL SORTS OF TREATMENT REGIMENS THAT HAVE BEEN
- 17 DEVELOPED ALL OVER THE WORLD THAT WE DON'T SEEM TO HAVE
- 18 HERE IN THE UNITED STATES.
- 19 I DON'T KNOW WHERE THIS IS ALL GOING TO END
- 20 UP, BUT JUST ON A PERSONAL NOTE, I WANT YOU TO KNOW
- 21 THAT I KNOW WHAT YOU ARE GOING THROUGH. AND I JUST
- 22 HOPE THAT WE CAN GET THIS PROGRAM HERE, WHAT WE VOTED
- 23 FOR -- WHAT WE VOTED FOR, I JUST HOPE WE CAN GET THIS
- 24 THING GOING. AND I JUST HOPE TO GET BEYOND ALL THE
- 25 LITIGATION, ALL THE BARRIERS SO THAT WE CAN DO WHAT THE

- 1 PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA THINKS NEEDS TO BE DONE.
- 2 MR. REED: WE WILL.
- 3 MR. LOTT: I PERSONALLY THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 4 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: THANK YOU. OTHER MEMBERS?
- 5 MR. HEIN, MR. BRUNNER, MS. POTTER, ANYTHING ELSE?
- 6 MS. POTTER: NO.
- 7 CHAIRMAN WESTLY: ALL RIGHT. WELL, LET ME
- 8 JUST PERSONALLY THANK ALL OF YOU FOR BEING HERE. WHAT
- 9 I WANT YOU TO KNOW IS WE'RE GOING TO MOVE QUICKLY TO
- 10 TRY TO GET ANOTHER MEETING SCHEDULED BEFORE THE END OF
- 11 THE YEAR. I THINK THERE ARE SOME SMART, BOLD, NEW
- 12 THINGS WE CAN DO TO HELP MOVE THINGS FORWARD MORE
- 13 QUICKLY FOR PEOPLE LIKE MR. LOTT'S DAUGHTER AND
- 14 MR. REED'S SON. I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR
- 15 COMMITMENT FOR BEING HERE.
- 16 WITHOUT ANY FURTHER ADO, WHAT I'D LOVE TO DO
- 17 IS ASK FOR THERE TO BE A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT.
- MS. POTTER: MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN.
- 19 MR. BRUNNER: SECOND.
- THE COURT: ALL IN FAVOR AYE. THANK YOU VERY
- 21 MUCH. THANK YOU MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.
- 22 (THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED AT 11:53
- 23 A.M.)

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